The latest word on postage is that the new rates will take effect April 1st. First Class being 25 cents. However magazines, like DX NEMS, will have to pay 28 cents. According to the post office, since our magazine is folded it has to be processed in a different manner, namely a different sorting machine. Thus the higher cost. Dues will more than likely have to be raised again, by about \$1.18. There isn't much we can do about this as you well know. Our costs our at minimum now so any increase from postage or printing has to be passed on to you. That life. Onto other news.

Any last minute info on the postal rates can be found on page 13.

The building owners will be doing some remodeling at HG. We are told that the cafeteria, restrooms, and lobby/reception area are to be remodeled. Work is to start this spring and last till fall. We don't plan on any interruption in NRC services or the magazine, but just incase, you're being advised now. Also HG maybe moving to a different part of this complex once the work is done (no change in address). We are trying to strike a deal with one of the other businesses that occupies the rooms we would like to have. More on this mass later.

We got word that IRCA will be merging with one of the Shortwave Clubs. We do not know at this time which club they have merged with. Merge is to take place sometime in the month of April. We understand that as part of the merger that the DX Monitor magazine will be discontinued and replaced with the shortwave magazine, with that magazine having a 6 to 8 page AM section in it. More details later.

From Broadcasting Magazine, a new All-Weather Talk Network will take to the air in April. The basic format will consist of listeners calling in to discuss, complain, or praise the weather in their area or any area. 60 Stations have already signed up.

The 1988-1990 Contract between CMA Local 1178, Writers Guild 173 and management of NRC has just been ratified. (less then 3 hours ago) Details are sparse at the moment, but what we do know is the following. Wages will be increase \$1.00, up from \$12.73 to \$13.73. Dental plan will continue as before. HMO Medical will have an increase of \$10 per quarter. We have no details at the moment on the Pension Plan. Management will get a 1% pay raise this year, and 2% next year. This is all we have at the moment, more next issue.

From John, Ray Briem has been dropped by TalkRadio and now hosts a 2 hour nightly show for BCB DXers only. According to his recent show on Tuesday, he will be adding an additional 2 hours devoted to Shortwave within a few weeks.

A new network "Fidel Radio" has started operation. Included in the 67 station network are WOR, WHO, KSL, WIOD, WLS, and KFI. According to WHO Station Director Steve Hoser, "Since 1982 when Cuba started their broadcasts and overpowered our signal, people thought they were listening to us. We have found that our listenership has increased by 14%, our latest survey shows that since we added Fidel Radio we have increased our listeners by another 8%."

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THE WORLD'S ALL MEDIUM-WAVE DX CLUB

Jerzey K. Starmann, c/o WHOT's this..a radio?!, 1040 Form Rd., Hubba-Hubba,0H

Jerzey K. Starmann, c/o WHOT's this..a radio?;, 1040 FOFM Rd., Rdbba-Rdbba, Who

CALLING ALL CARS

Old call.	New call:		New call:
	CO Denver KILO	1070 WMMS OH	Cleveland CHET
	OH Cleveland WMYL	1250 WTAE PA	Wilkensbg WEAT
	WI Milwaukee WNRC	1320 WJAS PA	Cranevile B94
	PA Charleroi WESK	1410 WNVS TN	Cleveland WQSL
	IA Des Moines CUBA	1570 WBBD MS	Cleveland WEZL

DE Schmidtburg: to Chief of Police/frequent check casher

APPLI	CATI	ONS FOR NEW CAREER CHANGES	
660	NH	Bruceton: to mad scientist Tonytown: to Fenway Park ticket taker	Kite
1080	KΥ	Truaxville: to freight hauler/trucker	
1130	ŊĴ	Mount Bergenfield: to switchboard operator	

GRANTS FOR NEW PERSONALITIES

1080	ТX	Bush: 1000	Dl
1130	LA	Swaggertvil	le: 30 U6
1360	CT	Muscoolin:	5000 D2

1510 MA Arrudet: to bricklayer/L.A. Laker fan



APPLICATIONS FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE

			Five year old Tommy
930	WCAR	ΜI	Two year old Lisa
980	SAAB	DC	Fiftyseven year old Bill(turned down 52 times so far)
1Ó30	WLTD	MΑ	Sixtysix year old Ernie

GRANTS FOR DIVORCE

590.	WREN	KS	Topekaka: Paul from California
670	KCAL	CA	Palm Springs Desert: MaDonna from Sean
770	KROL	ТX	Pasadena: Jerry from Mick
1350	WLIO	OH	Lima: Fred from his job
1450	W000	$_{ m IL}$	Macomb: Frank from his collection
1550	WHITT	CΙΔ	Atlantis: Chuck from his lifestyle

OTHERNESS

660	WNBC	NΥ	NYC: has again added Howard Stern, only this time they
			wired his mouth shut, so instead he's using vulgar sign language, but it doesn't work too well on radio:
			simplements but it doesn't work too well on radio!
			sign language, but it doesn't work too woll on ladio.
1250	WOLD	ΛU	Akron: new location for the Bumper Sticker Hall of Fame
1350	#2TH	Un	ARPOIT: New location for the bamper bullets
1370	WXXP	NΥ	Bondissue: station still floating out on Lake Erie
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1450	WPSU	PΔ	State College: "in the process" of passing law preventing
T-700	11 50	1	and the same and t
			anyone from sitting on air vents during hunting season,
			except Joe Paterno

war away har and a dead Howard Storm only this time they

THANKS-ALOT

To contributors "Hy" Five, "Low" Five, "Hang" Ten, "Teafor" Two, "Three's a Crowd", A. Four Score, and all 7-11 stores for sending in comments about my column. You really know how to hurt a guy.

73 & Good DXer Sergy & B.B. King Jerzey K. Starmann & Big Boy King NOTICE: AM STENCH will be missing from DXN for the next 4 years as I'll be working as crew chief for the Bill Elliot Team at the Pocono 50,000. However, you may see my replacement in this column Chuck Yeager.



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HARDY - HALE 2301 FARM GOES TO MARKET AVENUE, JOHNSON CITY, WA 98590

MEDIUM WAVE MUMBLINGS

- TRIVIA TIME: Name every city in the United States and Canada that doesn't have an AM radio station. Answer below.....LOOK DOWN and turn the book over, dummy.
- A good jnuu out this week. Next year we'll have more stupid DX catches. Deadlines are March at the Burger King.
 - TRIVIA ANSWER: Due to recent FOC and CRTC action, there aren't any!!

EXTRA SPECIAL EXTRA SPECIAL EXTRA SPECIAL EXTRA SPECIAL

- 640 KFI CA LOS ANGELES 4/1 0445 9tlk about being granted CP for 530 kHz and becoming a Clear Charmel again; CUFT is contesting the FOC decision, however; WDXI applies for U1 50 kw (Honda of the East)
- 670 WMAQ IL CHICAGO 4/1 1500 recently purchased by Group W, has decided to rebroadcest Radio
 Rebelde since their signal was already received on their monitors while on the
 air (Honda of the Eas)
- 720 WGN IL CHICAGO 3/15 2222 %rebroadcast of last 7/21 Cubs game (their only win);
 Harry Carom and Dwayne Statistics %pbp; This Bud's for you repeated 174
 times (WPC-IN)
- 780 WBBMt IL CHICAGO 3/1 2100 noted Yssme CBS No. as WCBS1; strange, and 7.41096 secs ahead; has WCBS moved to 780?; fluttery & sputtery (DS-IL)
- 890 WLS IL CHICAGO 4/1 0000% picks up the CAM Trucker's show that used to be on MAQ (truck) mainly because T40 records by <u>Debbie Gibson</u> & <u>Tiffany</u> don't play too well > midnight (it's past their bedtime); applies for 870 & WENR CLs (Honda of the Ea)
- 1080 WWW WY FEDERAL 3/19 1999 new stn on air; nx story abt how they were issued "East of the Mississippi CLs by mistake", but they were gonna keep 'em (JB-TX)

STILL SPECIAL STILL SPECIAL STILL SPECIAL STILL SPECIAL STILL SPECIAL STILL SPECIAL

- 1600 KMNY CA POMONA 4/1 the all Financial Naws Stn is now benkrupt after following their own advice on the Stock Market (Honda of the E)
- 1610 WNRC OH LIMA 4/10 2030 jx, ID, annot to public about proposed move (FRV-OH)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS, OR SOMETIMES WHEN IDIOT OPERATORS FORGET TO HIT THE SWITCH

- 620 WGES OH POINT PLACE 4/2 off air WTT once-a-day (FRV-OH)
- 940 CBM PQ MONTREAL 4/1 1000 stan now noted \(\forall T \) 24 hrs-a-day, is making more money from DXers bribing to get tone taken off than from advertisers during the day;

 Oubsn time stn is calling for sanctions as this amounts to jamming (East of Honda)
- 1520 KOMA OK MIDWEST CITY 3/2 0500 good 4TTs, bingo #s, wheat prices & tour info

WHEN BOTH HANDS ARE STRAIGHT UP AND IT'S DARK TO WHEN BOTH HANDS ARE STRAIGHT UP AND IT'S LIGHT

- 540 WRFD WI Rural 2/29 0545 blasting in WSID, Super Monday, WRFD & The Hits From Coast-To-Coast, of Lake Mosquito slogans; new (MW-WI)
- 680 WRAP FL SINISTER 0710-28 xlnt WKrazy Krazem Cuban Top 40 live from Habana (FW-PA)
- 770 WABC NY NEW YORK 4/1 0400 noted completely off; KMOB in @ about 3 dots on the S-Meter; now did I hear their main 50 Kw signal or 230 watt sync in Santa Fe? Help (Honda license plate # DXER 73)
- 1240 WOKI AL WINNERTAKEALL 3/13 0650.75 hrd 9lottery #s from every state, * #s from East 33rd Street in NYC (TH-CT)

FROM WHEN BOTH HANDS ARE STRAIGHT UP AND IT'S LIGHT TO WHEN BOTH HANDS ARE STRAIGHT UP AND IT'S DARK

- 540 WPOP MN GOLD 3/15 2123 sexy female annor Wad for Chinese take-out (KF-IL)
- 570 WFLF TX JIMMY DEAN 3/2 1900 ID, ads for sausage, Big Bad John: new (JB-TX)
- 690 KXXX TX FEDERAL 3/3 2145 \(\psi\) tax tips; same annor as last year, only on new stn (DS-DE)
- 740 CFOO PQ LOBSTER 3/12 2346 mentd Seafood Capital of the Province in FF, folo by wx (-68'), sps (HKY scores of course), and Wireless Want-Ads (AC-PQ)
- 890 KWLS ID MOUNTAIN GOAT 3/13 2245 Maheep dip prices; strong (odor) in KBYE null (WPC-IN)
- 1030 WBZ MA BOSTON 4/1 1200 hrd quite well ∜ID b'casting from your neighbor's aluminum siding
 This is WBZ, Hull/Boston>wx 4Cast for Casper, burying WNVR-IL, which stands for
 We Never Verify Reception (Honda Accord)
- 1230 KARP ND SPAWN 2/27 2222 nx story explaining this was to be last day in Feb this yr as they were so far behind (in ND), they wanted to catch up when nobody was looking (NjP-MB)
- 1280 WRDO IA FINETUNE 3/14 1854-1906 finals of girls BKB tourny; in FF; sponsor list included <u>Eb's Gas</u>, <u>Winchell's Mink Farm</u>, <u>Pussy Cat Lounge</u>; xlnt (WPC-IN)

STATION BREAK-HI

1500 WAKE IN VALPARAISO - 4/1 2030 rumored to have been had in downtown Valpo on 2.9 watt PSSSSA, but only when Blue Light @ Local <u>K-Mart</u> is flashing: stn officials refuse to comment (Honda LX)

1600 WPIE WV PUMPKIN - 3/18 0200 Wad for Betty Crocker's Greatest Hits (JC-PA)

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION HALL OF SHAME:

MW-WI Mike Weaver//Bridge o' Cam, WI//Stereo AT&T phone Yrented telephone wires

JC-PA Johnnie Cowlicky//Pittsbusch, PA//Sears Superadio

DS-DE Dave Smurf//Old Casteel, DE//Tuned Sheep

KF-IL Karl Fifth//Shecaugoe, IL//HQ-150, HQ-151, HQ-166 + LWs

AC-PQ Andrew Carpet//Priest's Island, PQ//Spit Shined Ski Poles

WPC-IN Wendell Chevrolet//Northsoutheastwestville, IN//IRA-2000 + Can o' Worms

JB-TX Jim Beam//Shan Antonic, TX//Police Radio + 18" Parabolic Dish

FW-PA Frank Wheelerdealer//Eerie, PA//Sparkomatic Car Rx under Flourescent streetlamp

DS-IL Dale Spark/Movesalot, IL//Green Giant Peas + Wildcat Tail
TH-CT Tony Herbfitzert//Choo Choo, CT//Sony Microwave + Third Rail

NjP-MB Niel Pitbullish//Wonapig, MB//ICF-2009 + Case of La Batt's JP-OH Jerry Planet//Oldsburg, OH//GE Porta-Oven

Honda (The real) Wendell P. Ford//Skywave, IN//snow shovel

FRV-OH Frederick R. Vobbe//Lima Bean, OH//Xtal set connected to electric fence

STUFF THAT WAS TOO LATE TO SORT, SO HERE IT IS NOW:

MIDNIGHT

600 KLZZ CA SAN DIEGO 4/1 1200 anno'd their appl. for sync xmtrs in Chula Vista on 590 & 610. The "Q-106" ID is not their FM ID, it's just a reference to their AM bandwidth. (HB-CA)

640 KIDZ CA LOS ANGELES 4/1 1100 ex-KFI, began new format this morning. PD combined two other formats he had read about - new format is Children's Talk.

two other formats he had read about - new format is Children's Talk. Baby talk 1-3pm, then naptime followed by child psychologis Punky Grant (age 5). will probably hurt KIIS worst in the ratings (HB-CA)

830 WADU LA NORELCO 4/I 0100 In clean w/ID "The Close Shave Stn" (BF-KY)

1150 WAWA WI WAUWATOSA 4/1 0116 Fair sig, mentioned, "Mx from the town that's named

after a dance!" then ID, in with another UnID stn. (BF-KY)

1170 WWVA WV EIGHTEEN WHEELER 4/1 0201 National CW Mx show for overweight truckers (WH-1540 CHUMP PQ HANZNFRANZVILLE 4/1 0630 Strong, crushing others w/ad from pumpu-up Univer course on "how to stop looking.like a wimp & more like an NRCer" (CB-IL)

MIDDAY

590 WROW NY ALBANO 4/1 1955 Static w/high strung Female DJ,named Laura, mentioned complaining of overwork to fellow sports announcer that was doing his hit. (RE-KY)

660 KTNN AZ WINDOW ROCK 4/1 1430 CP is on, running U1 100000/100000. Nice midday sig. w/ American Indian T40, hosted by Dick Clark, Casey Kasem, Ed McMahon, and Pia Zadora. (HB-CA)

980 KFWB CA LOS ANGELES 4/1 1415 toor rig. w/ new punk-rock format. Slogan is "Give us 22 minutes, we'll give you a headache." Noted same songs repeated each 1/2 hour. (HB-CA)

1450 WOL DC Washington 4/1 2159 wk w/nx coverage of a 10k walk, hd on my transistor radio (WH-NY)

1490 WAQX NY SYRACUSE 4/1 2030 Ad for Will Fayne Orange Doormats, 1D, Time (CB-IL)

1550 KUOA AZ MESSY 4/1 2222 sliding in w/OLD/AOR/CHR format, "Sid & Vid Show",

1550 WVAB VA VIRGINIA BEACH 4/1 1245 I tuned to 1550KHz and heard total silent, per NRC log, they have been silent for 2 years, so this stn must be them. Thus this is stn #38 from VA, and #19 for silent stns recorded. (HB-CA

OUR CONTRIBUTOR TYPES

HB-CA Hugh Betcha - DXing along S.CA freeways, Bleene Car radio with 2000'

Beverage tied to back bumper.

CB-IL Chily Billy - East of Eygpt, IL HQ-184, inverted-V antenna HQ-VA Hal Wail - Sitting on the dock on the Bay, VA R-390ABC

BF-KY Bill Fold - Horsemanure, KY Superradio IV, with SM-3 antenna

WM-NY Will Mill - Horsehead, NY Sony walkman III



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Congratulations to Bill hale on finding a way to abbreviate abbreviations!

Just make those one-letter abbreviations smaller! hine eyes have seen the glory, but they'd like to read the story!

Even Er. Peepers'd have trouble reading them!

But Dill wale has been doing a great job with the DDXD-host, and so has wancy Hardy with DDXD-West. Now, if we would combine these two columns, we could call it "Domestic DX - hole and Harty."

We remember the days when Len Aruse would make an annual list called "Condition of Frequencies" in which he listed all the all-nighters and late sign-off stations, and early signers-on. Such a list today would be about the size of the Chicago phone book!

We would expect the radio, TV, and newspaper reporters to ask provocative questions of the presidential candidates - but has any one of them asked how each stands on the subject of NSP stations?

Or - has any one of them come out against fluorescent lights?

We hear that Dr. Reuben and Sally Jesse Rafael are going steady. Can anyone confirm this? How about it, Harry King?

It certainly seems partially true - at least their mouths are!

When + hear "The Music of Your Life" it makes me feel sad for those poor souls whose lives have been that dull.

We sometimes wish that some Aussian scientist, who is also a Der, might one day shoot down a bunch of American satellites, and thus knock off about two thousand Alvers.

There is a member of this club whose receiver is so old he still gets the Boston Drayes.

The front page of some of the recent issues of DX NEWS look as though they should be rubber-stamped: "Deleted by Censor."

Only three dusings in a recent issue! We have around 700 members, so that teams that less than one-half of one percent of our membership sent anything in for that issue! And this was before the next postal hike!

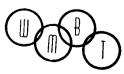
With virtually all the DX news contained in the Domestic DX Digest, maybe we ought to consider changing the name of the club to the "National Madio List."

At least then we wouldn't be confused with the other NRC - the Juclear Regulatory Jommission, you should excuse the expression.

We have it on good authority that a new type of transmitter is being developed for AN stations - No tubes, no transistors - it is made of radiating plutonium. It really gets out - but it is mighty rough on Thief Angineers.

Time was once that Election Might and Primary Mights were excellent DX nights and into the next morning.) Not so these days - now they're announcing the winners even before the polls are closed!

This year, accordingly, we should know who the next president of the inited States will be by Hallowe'en night.



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So you're tired of mediumwave DXing? The NSPers and non-verifiers finally get you down? Well, Bunky, there's a new mode of DXing that more and more listeners are turning to.

And you already have a receiver that can bring in radio stations from all over the world at armchair level! It's not an Icom, Yaesu or Drake. It's your telephone!

It works like this: Any station that can be identified while you are put on hold can be counted. Since you already know where you are calling, you should have a pretty good idea of the station's location. Unless a frequency is announced, you'll have to do a little research. Keep an NRC Log, IRCA Almanac and FM Atlas handy for quick reference.

You call a company. They put you on hold. You hear schmaltzy music, then an identification: "This is Easy 99, KZXY, San Diego." Bingo! You've just gotten a brand new station, and you didn't have to get up at 4:00 a.m. to hear it.

What does this have to do with DXing? More than you might think. You're receiving the signal through a very long antenna (the telephone line). And while this kind of reception might not be as thrilling as trying to pull in that faint graveyard signal, when was the last time you heard an FM station from Oregon or a daytimer from Vermont?

Of course, successful telephone DXing takes a little planning. Watch the club bulletins for companies that carry radio station audio while callers are put on hold. (The club bulletins also have a "Muzak list" of companies to avoid calling.)

Naturally, you'll want to make a lot of calls a minute or two before the hour, ensuring that you will be on hold at the top of the hour for that all-important identification announcement.

Here are some key phrases: "I'd be happy to stay on hold;" "I'll wait until Mr. Smithers is free;" "I'd rather hold than leave a message."

Knowing in advance that you'll be put on hold makes telephone DXing a little easier for the bashful beginner. Novices should try calling the Acme Construction Co. in Austin, Texas, at 512-571-0440. Ask for Mr. Jones. He's never there, but they'll spend a good ten minutes looking for him every time! They have KSSR-1520 "on hold." Need Vermont? Try Small's Beauty College in Montpelier at 802-453-8780 and ask for Nadine. She's been on vacation since I started in this hobby, but they'll spend enough time looking for her for you to identify WVSG-99.7.

After you gain some experience in telephone DXing, you'll come up with some tricks of your own. For example, Friday afternoon is a good time to call most companies and be put on hold because many people slip out of the office early and can't be found, leaving plenty of time for you to identify that rare station. Kind of like Monday morning used to be for mediumwave.

Can you verify reception of the stations you hear? Of course! Although some purists and old-timers might object to gathering reception report details over the telephone, there's nothing wrong with it at all. You heard the station, didn't you? Try to get at least an identification and a couple of commercials. A 15-minute listing of program details is a little unrealistic.

With this introduction, I hope some of you unfamiliar with telephone DXing will give it a try. And next Christmas, instead of a new receiver, I'm asking for the yellow pages for Philadelphia, Houston and Orange County.

STATION PROFILE

HERBERT KILOHERTZ

White attending the 1987 National Radio Club Convention, I had the honor of touring one of the worlds most interesting stations. This station, located in the foothills of Lima, was probably the most unique stations I have ever visited. Even more unique that the station built in Red White & Blue beer cans in Covington, Kentucky.

The stations transmitter is located in a residential section. The studios are in a hotel in downtown Lima. When you walk in the front door to the station you can't help but notice the dual automation systems which provide the stations programming to the Allen County area. Many of

the attendees of the convention were sure the station was live, but after seeing the system, and hearing Phil Waynes show, they were convinced beyond a shadow of a doubt that the station was completely automated. The grant reels seem to drone on for hours and all you can hear in the room is the clicking and popping of relays and machines starting and stopping. It is a sight that you can only appreciate by stopping up to room 357 for a visit, and a chance to swipe a

promo item.



The station has an interesting format of Contemporary Hit Radio music during the day, and Oldres at night. While at the station I was given the tour by 20/20 news man John Bowker. John is a very impressive person, with a delivery that can only be described as awsome. As you listen to him do the news, and hear the teletype machines sing in the background, you are



reminded of the old days when radio just sounded great. Right after he read the news he stepped out of the booth, shook my hand, and said, "Hi there radio ranger, I'm John Bowker, news director of W-N-R-C. Do you want some free promo items, shirts, bumper stickers, surveys, my company car?" "No", I said with a grin, "I'll settle for a tour of this very unique radio station." And what a tour he gave me. Our first stop was the station restroom as several

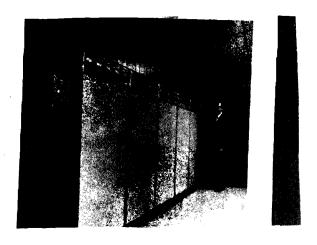
hours on the air can start to take a toll on a persons kidneys! Then we took the famous "Plunger" elevator down to the main floor. We climbed into John's company car, a 1986 Chrysler Aries, which was painted smartly with the stations call letters on the side. I really belive that the city's street people were impressed when they saw me riding in John's car.

We then took of t for the AM transmitter site. This had to be one of the most thrilling tours since there were no other people on the tour to ask silly questions like, "how many states can you reach", and "how can you afford to pay the electric bills", and the \$10,000 question, "how come John Malicky hasn't gotten his reception report answered?"

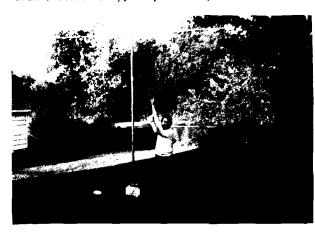
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One of the engineers, is seen here posing as if he were operating the transmitter. In reality he is opening the door to the transmitter to take out his lunch which he deposited inside upon arrival to work.

According to the engineer the transmitter runs with little maintenance or work needed, except those times when some goot gooses the modulation in order to do a CPC test for the DX'ers in some god-forsaken place like Winnipeg. This is the transmitter we all listened to at the 1987 convention!



While standing around with my hands in my pocket I was greeted by several employees of the station. At first glance I thought, "Gee, I didn't think Larry, Noe, & Curley were still alive."



When I walked up to the group I asked where the tower was. Bob Walker was quick to point out the short stick. He said, "The short tower enables us to skip over much of the country and target our audience in places like that festering hot spot of rock & roll, Peoria!" He even told me of a radio junkie in that city with a license plate that says, "16 WNRC", and a guy North of Lima that has even given up a chance to hear K-O-R-L, again, just to listen to the Big One, W-N-R-C.

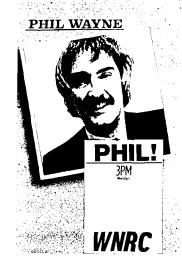
By this time the guy in the three piece suit walked up and said, "Hi, I'm Phil Wayne. You don't wanna buy any spots, would ya?" The little round guy, (not the one in the prior paragraph), told me that if I wanted to, I could have an air shift on W-N-R-C. "You see it's company policy", he said, "that we allow people from the convention on the air. I do belive that your Eastern accent would be different on the air, but after all did you hear the guy from Pittsburgh that was on the other night?" I thought that this might be tempting, but I had better things to do back at the convention. "Here", fred said, "Take a few thousand 94 FOX FM stickers with you. I'm sure you can do something constructive with them. They will be a collectors item. After all, just how long do you think Starr will be able to supply W-S-R-D bumper stickers for each convention? The more they stick around the community, the more rare they get. One day, there will be no more! Then you get through customs".

As I got ready to leave I got Phil, Bob, and Fred to pose in front of the W-N-k-C antenna. and the transmitter building. It was a very impressive station to visit, and one that I know a lot of you. have never heard. Ιt is also one of those stations that wike will always forget to put in the Log Book. I guess a good trivia question for the 1983 Convention would be, "What was the All frequency, and Fil frequency of U-N-R-C?" Think about it! Next



year at this same time I hope to do a station profile on the new station which will be going on the air in Hilwaukee on September 4th of this year. Rumor has it that a very earnest Cooper will be in charge of the station, and that all they will play will be march music! We will all have to wait for that to come about. Until next time, this is Phony saying so long from Lima, Ohio.





Greetings all.....Bertha Jones, cashier at the Mr. Donut on U.S. 2 across from KKBJ, Bemidji MN, has joined the staff of Dunkin Donuts on Paul Bunyan Drive next door to KBUN.....The latest Arbitron ratings for Truth or Consequences, NM show 1400-KCHS dropping from a 63.7 share to a 62.4 share in the book.....WDEA Ellsworth ME is planning to change their studio phone number in early 1989.....WMSA has edged out WYBG as the top AM'er in Massena, NY for the first time since August 8, 1947.....Former CIFX Winnipeq, MB newscaster Linda Smith has been hired by crosstown rival CKY to make the coffee during AM Drive....Chief Engineer Cliff Mobar at WBUT in Butler, PA recently purchased a 160 acre farm. He apparently appied years of accumulated mint stamps towards the purchase price.....Carl Cyan, owner of WAKN in Aiken SC, plans to change the station's calls during the next year when his son Chris needs one more station to reach 2000 verified KMOX St. Louis plans to begin actually reading the reception reports that arrive daily in June to commemorate the 5000th KXOK report that was erroneously delivered to KMOX....KFAB in Lincoln, NE plans to change formats to "Stone Age", electronic instrumental versions of Rolling Stones classics, to combat the success of KLMS' "New Age" format.....Billy West, son of KCDR Cedar Rapids, IA midday announcer Norm West, got a B+ on his Biology paper last week....Former "Beatle Radio" station KYST in Texas City, TX has switched formats to "All Hamilton Joe, Frank & Reynolds"; KGBC in Galveston, TX is thinking of following suit and becoming Texas' first 'Spanish All Gilbert O'Sullivan/Sports Talk' outlet, now that the format has worked wonders at WDEY in Lapeer, MI....George Ridgely, bookkeeper at WHLO, Akron, has a `77 Dodge Valiant for sale. Make him an offer in your next reception report....Good news for salad bar fans: a new Wendy's Drive-Through is opening up on Highway 6 across from KTIL in Tillamok Oregon.....so much for now.

Suggestion Time

Lou Poisson 768 Deepcandle St. Zev Falls, OH 43852

A prominant member has suggested that a DXer who doesn't verify stations is only half a DXer. Does this mean that people who don't send away for verifications only have to pay \$11.00, as opposed to \$22.00, when they renew their membership? What about somebody who imagines everything they hear and doesn't write reception reports? Is he only one-tenth of a DXer? My own personal calculations show that I have verified roughly 30% of the stations that I have heard. This makes me 65% of a DXer. Accordingly, I'll be renewing next year for \$14.30.

Perhaps next year's NRC Convention Quiz should be replaced by a Spelling Bee? I am appalled at the number of DXers who misspell "epiphenomenalism", "please" and "verification" in their reception reports! Not only can "Johnny not read", but he can't write either!

Since the Tower Tip feature has become the most popular column in DX NEWS why not expand its coverage? This is what I think could be provided in the future: (1) Directions to the station can be provided. Why write for a verification when you can rudely demand one in person? {2} Provide directions to the home of the station's Chief Engineer, just in case the visit to the station fails. (3) Provide information on nearby Pinball Arcades, Waterslides, Shopping Malls and Fireworks Stands! Make Tower Hunting a family outing!

73. Backward - April!

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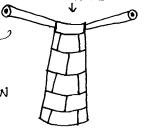
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S.M.A.C.K. HQ

from though this diticle has nothing to do with hadio, it does apply in those working at H0..., thus we thought we would share it with you.

HOW TO SWIM WITH SHARKS: A PRIMER

From The American Journal of Nursing/October 1981

Actually nobody wants to swim with sharks. It is not an acknowledged sport, and it is neither enjoyable nor exhibarating. These instructions are written primarily for the benefit of those who, by virtue of their occupation, find they must swim and find that the water is infested with sharks.

Swimming with sharks is like any other skill: it cannot be learned from books alone; the novice must practice in order to develop the skill. The following rules simply set forth the fundamental principles which, if followed, will make it possible to survive while becoming expert through practice.

Rule 1. Assume unidentified fish are sharks. Not all sharks look like sharks, and some fish which are not sharks sometimes act like sharks. Unless you have witnessed docile behavior in the presence of shed blood on more than one occasion, it is best to assume an unknown species is a shark.

Rule 2. Do not bleed. It is a cardinal principle that if you are injured either by accident or by intent you must not bleed. Experience shows that bleeding prompts an even more aggressive attack.

Admittedly, it is difficult not to bleed when injured. Indeed at first this may seem impossible. Diligent practice, however, will permit the experienced swimmer to sustain a serious laceration without bleeding and without even exhibiting any loss of composure. This hemostatic reflex can in part be conditioned, but there may be constitutional aspects as well. Those who cannot learn to control their bleeding should not attempt to swim with sharks, for the peril is too great.

The control of bleeding has a positive protective element for the swimmer. The shark will be confused as to whether or not his attack has injured you, and confusion is to the swimmer's advantage. On the other hand, the shark may know he has injured you and be puzzled as to why you do not bleed or show distress. This also has a profound effect on sharks. They begin questioning their own potency or, alternatively, believe the swimmer to have supernatural powers.

Rule 3. Counter any aggression promptly. Sharks rarely attack a swimmer without warning. Usually there is some tentative, exploratory agressive action. It is important that the swimmer recognize that this behavior is a prelude to an attack and take prompt and vigorous remedial action. The appropriate countermove is a sharp blow to the nose. Almost invariably this will prevent a full-scale attack, for it makes it clear that you understand the shark's intentions and are prepared to use whatever force is necessary to repel his aggressive actions.

Some swimmers mistakenly believe that an ingratiating attitude will dispel an attack under these circumstances. This is not correct; such a response provokes a shark attack. Those who hold this erronsous view can usually be identified by their missing limb.

Rule 4. Get out if someone is bleeding. If a swimmer (or shark) as been injured and is bleeding, get out of the water promptly. The presence of blood and the thrashing of water will elicit agressive behavior even in the most docile of sharks. This latter group, poorly skilled in attacking, often behaves irrationally and may attack uninvolved swimmers or sharks. Some are so inept that in the confusion they injure themselves.

No useful purpose is served in attempting to rescue the injured swimmer. He either will or will not survive the attack, and your intervention cannot protect him once blood has been shed.

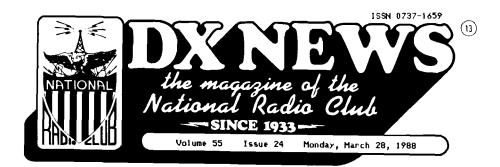


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APRIL FOOLS

THIS IS THE REAL FRONT PAGE

I HOPE YOU DIDN'T BUY THAT STORY ON THE POSTAL RATES

POSTAL RATES - Latest word is that they will probably be taking effect around Aprold: 15th. Information so far as been pretty thin. More in the next issue. Stay tuned.

Below is the rest of the Volume 55 Schedule:

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26	May 2	April 24
27	June 6	May 29
28	July 11	July 3
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30	September 19	Seatember 11

From Sweden Calling DXers via ANARC. The new 5th edition of "Dial-Search", subtitled "The Listener's Check-list and Guide to European Broadcasting" is a 46 page booklet, which includes an index of medium and long wave channels used in various European languages. There is a listing of long and medium wave frequencies used in Europe, and a separate list of all British stations. Dial-Search is available for GBP 3.25 (plus postage ---35p in the UK). from the author: George Wilcox, 9 Thurrock Close, Eastbourne, east Sussex BN20 9NF, England.

From Steve Forrest, says you can pick up a GE Superradio II, Model 7-2885, for \$39.97 from Fred P. Gattas Company, Inc. Phone orders, if in AR, KY, AL, GA, MO, NC, MS, VA (800)-238-9113; all others (901)-767-2930. Or by mail, P.O. Box 22465, Memphis, TN 28122.

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APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

650 A7 PEORIA: 5000/1000 U4

1250 PR VEGA ALTA: 250/1000 U1 (CHANGE OF APPLICATION, FIRST WANTED 780 KHZ)

MA FAIRHAVEN: 5000/5000 U4

IN LA PORTE: 500/500 U2 (SYNCHRONOUS WITH WIMS)

NM SANTA FE: PREVIOUS APPLICATION AMENDS NIGHT POWER TO 260 WATTS

TX DALLAS: 5000/1000 U4 (SYNCHRONOUS WITH KSSA)

NOTE THAT ALL BUT 1250 AND 1600 ABOVE ARE REAPPLICATIONS WITH TECH AMENDMENTS

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1580 PR Manti: 250/500 U1 (synchronous with WCQC)

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

WWCS PA CANONSBURG: DAY POWER TO 7500 WATTS

FL CHRISTMAS: TO 660 KHZ WITH 5000/1000 U2, CITY TO ALTAMONTE SPRINGS

KY Newburg: powers to 1300/450 watts WDDE

MD Laurel: POWER TO 2454 WATTS MIC

CT Sharon: Day power to 2500 watts, CH power to 1800 watts

ND BISMARCK: TO 710 KHZ, REDUCE NIGHT POWER TO 4000 WATTS

KHSJ CA HEMET: ADD 300 WATTS NIGHTS, ANTENNA TO U4

KITZ WA SILVERDALE: DAY POWER TO 1000 WATTS

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

WCRV TN COLLIERVILLE: NIGHT POWER TO 500 WATTS, RELOCATE XR

700 KBYR AK Anchorage: Powers to 10000/10000 watts

CA STOCKTON: CHANGES IN ANTENNA SYSTEM

WI MENOMONIE: TO 870 KHZ WITH 10000/600 U2, RELOCATE XR

CA CARMEL: RELOCATE XR

WHKP NC HENDERSONVILLE: CHANGES IN ANTENNA SYSTEM

1460 WCBM PA HARRISBURG: CHANGES IN ANTENNA SYSTEM

WEMR PA TUNKHANNOCK: DAY POWER TO 5000 WATTS

OTHERNESS

620 KIPA HI KALAOA: SYNCHRONOUS XR IS ON THE AIR

630 CFBK ON HUNTSVILLE: STATION IS SILENT, REPLACED BY FM ON 105.5 MHz

WPBD GA ATLANTA: NEW STATION HAS BEEN TESTING ON THE AIR

700 *APP MD/VA: APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS IN COLLEGE PARK, WALKERSVILLE AND MCLEAN HAVE ALL BEEN DISMISSED

CHJS NB SAINT JOHN: IS NOW HERE WITH 10000/5000 EX-1150 KHZ

760 WJEA FL PALM CITY: APPLICATION TO REINSTATE EXPIRED CP FOR NEW STATION HAS BEEN DENIED AGAIN.

1010 KKGZ CO Brush: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR WITH C&W FORMAT

1030 KJDJ CA SAN LUIS OBISPO: NEW STATION IS ON THE AIR

WNVR IL VERNON HILLS: NEW STATION IS ON THE AIR WITH NEWS FORMAT

1160 WTWF FL WOODVILLE: CP HAS BEEN SOLD. NEW STATION NOT YET ON THE AIR BUT THE SALE KEEPS IT ALIVE

WOBM NJ LAKEWOOD: STATION IS NOW HERE, EX-1170 KHZ

1410 KBCC MO CUBA: SILENT STATION HAS BEEN DONATED TO RELIGIOUS GROUP AND IS EXPECTED TO RETURN TO THE AIR SOON, PRESENT OWNER WILL

TAKE A CHARITABLE DEDUCTION ON TAXES TO COVER SOME LOSSES

1450 KORI ID PAYETTE: STATION IS SILENT

1580 KWYD CO COLORADO SPRINGS: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

1600 KZUN WA WEST RICHLAND: MOVE TO ELK CITY, ID HAS BEEN DENIED AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO BUILD NEW STATION DENIFD

THANKS: TO BOB HARRISON, JEFF TYNAN, WAYNE HEINEN AND MORRIS SORENSON FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS EDITION OF AM SWITCH!

73 AND GOOD DX.

Jany & BKF

JERRY STARR & BUFFALO K. FOONMAN

It is with deep regret that I must announce the passing

of Bill "Spanky" McFarland, on March 13. He was 26.

Bill was graduated from Kingsborough Community College where he was General Manager of WKRB, in 1982. His first professional radio work was in Eastern Connecticut in 1983 at WERI, WNLC, and WFAN. In 1984 Bill went to work for Mike Raub at CHR WLYQ in Norwalk, CT. It was at the Chicago Radiophiles convention that year that many of us met Bill. His next move was to Savannah, where he took the city by storm and 2102 to the top.

In February 1987, Z-100 Program Director Scott Shannon called the tremendously popular air personality, asking him to come home to New York. A fulltime job awaited that would soon include weekday overnights, morning sticker patrol during the zoo, Saturday afternoons and the highly-rated "Sunday Night Lovelines and Electric Dedications Party". Bill took on all of this work with enthusiasm, excited to be a part of the team that consistently draws top ratings in the nation's largest market.

He tried his very best to work around the flu that plagued him in February. But he was hospitalized with bronchitis and pneumonia that led to heart failure and his death yesterday morning.

Bill will be remembered for his vast aircheck collection stored in plastic convenience-store bags, his spontaneous evening trips to Boston or Baltimore to check out the radio scene there, coming back the same night to work the next day, and his friendliness towards everyone involved in the radio community, from the listeners, DXers/radiophiles, station interns and phone operators, through fellow air personalities, on up to top management. In that he was able accomplish his goal of making it big in New York City radio without developing the large ego characteristic of so many radio stars, makes us that much more proud to have known him.

Bill, you will be missed. May you rest in peace.

Paul Mount

March 14, 1988

FORMATS

Tony Fitzherbert, 356 Jackman Avenue, Fairfield, CT 06430

Welcome to another edition of Formats, albeit though a short one. I would not imagine that all is profitable in the broadcasting world. Thus, expect a huge column in the near future. This column is brought to you by the M Street Journal (M), Geov Parrish (G), and your editor, who turned the car radio on to hear all these fine directional stations in New Jersey that just do not make it to Fairfield, while on the annual journey to may accountant who resides in suburban Philadelphia. Here are the changes for this column...

740	WPRX	WI	Hudson	- Silent (G).
810	WJLT	VA	Crozet	- AC//FM(M).
900	WBXT	OH	Canton	- Ex-WTOF, silent, to be R & B (M).
920	WTTM	NJ	Trenton	- Ethnic on weekends, CWM on
				weekdays, is the only AM in the
				country that ID's for a frequency
				other than its own "Double T -
				93"(TF).
1140	KPHD	ТX	Conroe	- As previously noted, will be
				info/educ/talk, is silent, and will
				move to the ultra-affluent Houston
				suburb of The Woodlands, and, in
				the most crass call I have noted
				anywhere, the call refers to the
				educational degree (Barf!!) from
				Geove Parrish (TF).
1170	WBRW	ŊJ	Somerville	- AP Net news, AC(TF).
1290	WDFC	GA	Americus	- CHR//FM(M).
1310	WXMC	NJ		
1310	WAPIC	140	raisippany-11	oy Hills - AP net now, still MYL.(TF).
1350	WEZY	FL	Cocoa	
1410	KRRV	LA	Alexandria	- AC "Light Rock"//FM(M).
1440	WWGT		Westbrook	- Ex-KDBS, REL, now CWM(M).
1450	KCLD	MN		- Was //FM, now AC, alone (M).
1450	WFRG		St. Cloud	- Ex-KNSI, CHR//FM(M).
1480		NY	Rome	- Ex-WKAL, CWM//FM(M).
1480	KARR	WA	Vancouver	- Will return to air w/ Black
				programming, owned by operators of
				KRIZ, Renton, Washington, another
				Black format station. At one time,
				KARR regaled the kiddies of
				Portland, OR., with the ill-fated
				children's programming. (TF), from
				(GP).

And that is it for now. Get your formats in...let the rest of the members know what is going on in your area of the country...at least as to what is on the radio.

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FCC Considers AM Superstations For Expanded Band

The FCC is exploring the possibility of creating up to nine national AM radio channels within the next two years, and is considering licensing a single entity to operate each channel on a nationwide basis.

At its meeting last Thursday (2/25), the Commission voted to open a fourth public inquiry into a possible expansion of the AM band from 1606 kHz to 1705 kHz. The FCC Mass Media staff suggested the possible licensing of "AM superstations" to operate on the band, a move lauded as "creative" by Commissioner Patricia Diaz

Denius.

FCC Commissioner James Quello called the inquiry "potentially one of the most far-reaching" actions by the FCC this year. A move to create national radio licenses would be a radical departure from the Commission's 50-year practice of "local" licensing of broadcast frequencies.

"Under this approach, a single entity would be able to guide the development of a channel on a nationwide basis," a Commission statement said. "Such a national licensee could operate the stations itself or could lease the frequency to others."

Expanding the AM band an extra ten kilohertz would open up ten new channels, but Commissioners said they would probably reserve one for exclusive use by the Travelers Information Stations which provide road and traffic information.

Global broadcast regulators will gather in June for a meeting of the International Telecommunications Union to hash out uses for an expanded AM band.

DOMESTIC DX DIGEST - EAST

William Hale

2160 Farm To Market Road, Johnson City, NY 13790

MEDIUM MAYE ramblings

■ New member Todd Brandenburg of Silver Lake, Kansas checks in this issue with his first contributions. Welcome aboard, Todd. I'll be looking forward to getting more Jayhank DX from you. Hope your stay with the NRC is a long and enjoyable one!!

Well, well, well. Seems I dished out some bad (even badder than MJ-hi) info back in issue 16, so we'll make good on it directly. Seems Jim Renfrew reported hearing 1600 in Chesapeake, VA. Don't know what he reported for calls (probably the right ones), but I corrected him, per my log. Sharp-eyed Kermit Geary caught this. Even now, looking back in old AMS columns, I don't see the notification on that one. Maybe back in Vol 54, which is in the basement now. Oh boy, I meased that one up. Anyway, Jim, sorry 'bout that! Thanks, Kermit, for keeping me honest.

■ A couple of new stations on the air, a change in frequency for one, a couple of call letter changes, and more!! Where? You ask. Check out SPECIAL, below!

■ A good turnout for what some are saying is the "end of the season". Maybe down in Georgia, but up North here, we've still got snow on the ground, with pretty fair conditions prevailing. Let's not give up on DXing just yet! Remember, to keep the reported DX <u>current</u>. I hate to edit any that is sent in, but I've stated the limitations many times before. I'll print DX no older than 30 days old by the day I mail the column. Take the pub session date (see Issue 20) and subtract 6 days for the date I mail the column. See you in 14!

SPECIAL

670 WMAQ IL CHICAGO - 3/1 0500 now is Group W nx stn Vslogans Give us 22 minutes, & we'll give you the world & All the nx, 67 MAQ; with no place to go as of yet, the C&W all-nite show is off the air for now (WPF-IN)

810 KCHG TX SOMERSET - 3/7 1410 new atn on air; female WKCHG in Somerset invites your comments. Call us on 626-3270 or write Radio KCHG, P.O. Box 18025, San Antonio, TX 78218; phoned them and female said they began b'casting 3/1; BBD-era mx (JB-TX)

1030 WNVR IL VERNON HILLS - 3/1 0602 1st day on the air; good signal breaking thru KCTA 4no sub nx; got this on tape; gave suburb, then nx story; welcomed listeners to stn; stn Pres is Bill Rentachler & several columnist names; # is 312-295-5570 (KD-IL)

WNVR IL VERNON HILLS - 3/1 0721-1109 now on the Bir; formet is Suburban nx/tlk & you that MAQ was big nx; called Roger Winsor @ WAKE-15 to tip him off & he was an top of it, ading same nopeper as I, how sneety can you get-hi?; is only 3 dats on S-meter; ID as (W) News Voice Radio; phone 295-5570; sked is 6 AM-LSS (WPF-IN)

1110 CKCY ON SAULT STE MARIE - 3/2 1916 way 9WBT 9C6W format; ID as 1110 New Country, CKCY (ex:920) (Didn't know move was scheduled) (DV-NY)

CKTY ON SARNIA - 3/3 0645-58 good YC&W mx, 1cl ads, jingle IDs; ex:CKJD) (BH-NJ)
1160 WOBM NJ LAKEWOOD - 3/2 1728-44 good, YC&W mx 11-60 AM Star Country slogan; noted
on 3/3 recheck as new daytime regular here; (ex:1170) (BH-NJ)

1240 WBAB NY BABYLON-FREEPORT - 3/3 1249-1300 noted VT40 mx, lcl ds, nx; lgl ID said:

WBAB FM & AM, Babylon-Freeport, so it looks like we have a city-of-license change as well as a CL change (ex:WGBB) (BH-NJ)

1440 WNFL WI GREEN BAY - 2/12 0423-0500+ format the same, but now OLD is off the bird, and they simul \(\psi \)WKFX 104.9 Kaukauna; \(\psi \)WWNK-1360/\(\psi \)CII-1080 (\(\psi \)F-IN)

1590 WAUB NY AUBURN - now 24 hrs per stn annet (DV-NY)

WONX IL EVANSTON - per stn medd im...24 hrs, except 0200-0600 Mon, 0400-0600 Twe-Sun; still running 1 Kw days/2.5 Kw nites; prymmg is abt 80% S5, 20 % EE/other languages (DP-IL)

DX/EQUIPMENT TESTS

700 WLW OH CINCINNATI - 2/21 0442 noted completely off; unID on freq too weak to be understood, probably Jamaica; WLW OC noted @ 0524 (WPF-IN)

720 WGN IL CHICAGO - 2/28 0213-0600+ TTing & OCing; completely off 0319-0330, then more TTs; also testing Ymx @ 0550 (WPF-IN)

1080 WTIC CT HARTFORD - 2/29 0311 noted testing Whigh-pitched tone; KRLD underneath; WCII in null barely (WPF-IN)

1530 WCKY OH CINCINNATI - 2/25 0324-0402 noted testing OC/TTpast the 4 O'Clock hour; back on RS @ 0402 (WPF-IN)

1580 WPGC MD MORNINGSIDE - 3/1 0250-0327+ TTing & 95.5 audio; when FM went to ad, 1580 went to CC & back to tone (a wise move-hi); 9WMMO, else alone on freq, no CBJ (WPF-IN)

UNIDS & UNIDS IDd

560 KLVI TX BEAUMONT - DP-IL unID in Issue 21 YBOK might be this; it's what I hear when WIND is off & I'm only 25 miles from WIND's towers (WPF-IN)

590 WOW NE OMAHA - DP-IL unID on MCRN is most likely this as they carry it 'til 0400 then go back to 1cl C&W prommg (WPF-IN)

620 UNID ?? - slogen is Magic 62; OLD off the Spy in the Sky-hillWEMP/WHK; looped E+W (WPF-IN)

680 UNID ?? - 2/15 0231 MCCR's Up Around the Bend, ID as 68 Gold+Elvis tune;
0235 Supremes tune, then lost to co-chemnel CRM (CS-FL) (Host likely KRVR, Memphis, whose major nighttime lobe covers the FL panhandle, and fits that format-WRH)

990 WYAT LA NEW ORLEANS - DP-IL unID in Issue 21 Ysatellite OLD could be this; I some times hear it on Can/Mex Clear pwr/WNDE/WLXG (WPF-IN)

- (16) 1460 WBRN MI BIG RAPIDS - DP-IL unid Issue 21 9C8W mx from Big Bird may be this; they are received here quite well > LSS (WPF-IN)
- 1600 WTZD NC HENDERSONVILLE unID \Butler B'casting had by JR-NC (Issue 16) was this (KG P4)
- 1610 KONZ47 TX HOUSTON IAP these are CLs of TIO sto hard by AB-TX (Issue 15); TIS/HAR Guide sex Hobby AP's TIS (WYZ138) only gives parking info (CC-PA)

MIDWIGHT TO MIDDAY

- 540 WYNN SC FLORENCE 2/23 0335-43 steady, listenable, but poor signal; UC mx on CC pwr, no KWMT; conditions slowing down, only my 3rd new one in 12 days of listening (WPF-IN)
- 610 WZZK AL BIRMINGHAM 2/24 0202 ad for Percy Sledge Concert @ the Mousetrap Lounge
 (...coming to Birmingham...) on 2/29; FM 1-0-5 wx; algn America's most exciting
 C&W stn, WZZK+CSW mx (DP-IL)
- 640 WNNZ MA WESTFIELD 2/20 0831 fair 4ID 640 wins, WNNZ, New England's Oldies Stn (MS-CN2)
- 700 WLW OH CINCINNATI 2/15 0303 end of nx, into wx; 0305 hrd thru stn \(\mathcal{y}\)JBC-FM ID; WLW getting louder (CS-FL)
 - WLW OH CINCINNATI 2/26 1150 Dave Martin tlk show, ment stox/commodities rpt soon on The Big 700; ads, winner on Two tickets to paradise contest; finally, groundwave from new QTH! (DP-IL)
- 710 CHYRt ON LEAMINGTON 2/24 0/206 uninterrupted Police mx on satellite mx show(CFCH/CKSO; poor, Cuba underneath (DP-IL)
- 730 WPIT PA PITTODUICH 2/20 0830 fair WREL bost, ID as Pittsburgh's Information Stn-73 WPIT (MS-ON2)
- 840 WHAS KY LOUISVILLE 2/20 0825 still in, fair 9semi-lcl CHUR WOLD, ment of George Washington, ID as 84 WHAS (MS-ON2)
- 880 KRVN NE LEXINGTON 2/29 0847-0855 Ygood Yad for <u>Crossroads Ford</u>, contest for 6' Easter Burnny Ylist of entry form locations; AC mw; many ads; loud, new (DS-WI)
- 920 WGST GA ATLANTA 2/29 0306 Ywx & BOK YKARN, who also had LK; when they went back to net, couldn't even tell there 2 stns fighting each other (WPF-IN)
- 950 KPRC TX HOUSTON 2/24 0600 good, atop #ID folod by CBS Nx (MD-GA)
- 1000 WLNL NY HORSEHEADS 2/12 0703-0710 good in WRNJ's null 9full data \$on, folo by REL mx (KG-PA)
- 1030 KCTA TX CORPUS CHRISTI 2/18 0723 fair Wend of Hour of Prophesy; 0730: smnct KCTA, your sta that exalts the Lord Jesus Christ (DS-WI)
- 1050 WISM WI ALTOONA -2/29 0543 poor, Ymuch QRM; TheGreatest Hits of All-Time-WISM, ??/Eau Claire; faded @ 0545 under loud FF, probably CKSB (DS-WI)
- WFAN NY NYC 2/24 0551 good, atop \(\psi_s \) talk; 1st-timer here (MD-GA)

 1060 CJRP PQ QUEBEC 3/2 0609 on top \(\psi_F \) tik; since this is the only FF on 1060and I can't speak alick of it, I'm going to log this...any objections from the rank and file? \(9KYW \) (WPF-IN)
- 1070 WIBC IN INDIANAPOLIS 2/20 0852 fair WID as WIBC-1070, wx (MS-ON2)
- 1080 WTIC CT HARTFORD 2/24 0545 xlnt 9WCII 9sps; exceptional cx to NE this AM (MD-GA)
- 1090 WMYD WI RICE LAKE 2/29 0828 poor, but little QRM; 10-90 WMYD, Oldies Channel of the North (DS-WI)
- 1110 WBT NC CHARLOTTE 2/15 0405 end of nx, wx+mx (CS-FL)
- 1140 WKWM MI KENTWOOD 2/29 0830 poor 9KS00 or KNEI QRM; UC mx; 0833 annet KWM R.; gave address for B'day annets (DS-WI)
- 1180 WJJFt RI HOPE VALLEY 3/3 0603-0615 good @ times in WHAM null 905W mx, DJ with WJJF AM 11-80 slogan, I believe; tent; lost to WLIB-1190 9on (BH-NJ)
- 1190 KWMB MN WABASHA 2/29 0639-45 good wad for 1cl Air Force recruiter, 847-5644; 0640 MNN Farm R. market report; 0645 MNN sps (DS-WI)
- 1340 WCVI PA CONNELLSVILLE 2/26 0510 Wend of Carpenter's tune; ID @ 0512, then read lottery numbers (CS-NY)
 - WLVL NY LOCKPORT 3/6 0630 sever1 IDs hrd + 1cl nx, PSA for American Cancer Society →nx of Wyoming primary (CS-NY)
- 1350 WIOU IN KOKOMO 2/20 0833 fair 9state & 1cl nx, WIOU Radar Wx Forecast (MS-ON2)
- 1390 WXTC SC CHARLESTON 2/18 0424 fair Ywx 4cast on 97 FM+Sounds of Silence...
 no, not OC, Simon & Garfarkle (WPF-IN)
 - WXTC SC CHARLESTON 2/22 0633 fair>good YIDs, 1cl ads, nx; way on top @ 0700 (DV-NY)
 - WNLF MI CHARLOTTE 2120 0900 ID 1390 WNLF for Christian radio (MS-ON2)
 - WADA NC SHELBY 2/22 0653 briefly 9WXTC 9ID, NC Report (DV-NY)
- 1410 WELM NY ELMIRA 3/5 0713-31 good, 9WPOP MAC reds, lcl ads, lcl nx, WELM Elmira Wx ix (BH-NJ)
- 1570 WOBS IN NEW ALBANY 2/23 0423-0502+ in/out YREL pgms; that I had needed Turks Islands; ID YLouisville; 1st-timer here %WPTW/unID YSS mx. XERF or Oubs (WPF-TN)

WIDDAY TO WIDNIGHT

- 590 KBHS AR HOT SPRINGS 2/17 0659 Ygood @ 1st, then faded; SSB \$on, the KBHS, AM 590 annot; address 2904-A ??+C&W (DS-WI)
- 680 KNBR CA SAN FRANCISCO 2/18 2245-55 \(\frac{1}{2}\)Sports Phone 68, guest was \(\frac{\text{Mindy Frey}}{\text{Mindy Frey}}\), upn-coming drag racer; ad for \(\text{California Federal Savings}\), call 1-800-7CAL-FED
 (TB-KS)
- 690 KVNA AZ FLAGSTAFF 2/18 2240-45 ySuns-Spurs NBA BKB; poor→fair yWLW slop (TB-KS)
 WTIX LA NEW ORLEANS 2/25 2213-30 poor 4wOLD; 2220 AM-69; 2223 ad for cable TV;
 SID @ 2226 (DS-WI)

- 730 WFMW KY MADISONVILLE 2/22 1805-10 fair ybad WGN splash; UPI Nx, ment of NWS high wind warning for W. KY; This is WFMN Nx; many Madisonville ments (DS-WI)
- 750 KJEL MO LEBANON 2/22 1810-20 good \(\frac{1}{2} \) cl nx: Lebanon Housing Authority mtg, trade show, more; 1817 John Wood on K-Gel (DS-WI)
- 770 WJMW AL ATHENS 2/22 1819 poor Ybad WBBM splash; C&W mx, annot \$?? WJMW (DS-WI)
- 790 WMC TN MEMPHIS 2/17 0630-45 sps, AC mx, ABC-I Olympic report @ 0641, then WMC 79 Daycenter Time 5:41 (DS-WI)
- 800 CJBQ ON BELLEVILLE 2/10 2304 fair 9CKLW \Broadcast News, sps. lcl wx (current temp -8t or +17f) (MS-ON)
 - CHAB SK MOOSE JAW 2/29 0538-0730 up & down, extremely loud @ times; OLD & CHAB hrd @ 0538; hrd again 0725 \(\mathcal{P}\)Revenue Canada, other PSAs; \(\theta 00 \) CHAB \(\mathcal{P}\)more mx than ever before sign & SIDs hrd often (DS-WI)
 - CJAD PQ MONTREAL 3/2 1713-18 briefly atop Ylocally-produced The World Today nx pgm, helicopter trfc report, 800 Radio CJAD slogan (BH-NJ)
- 830 KBOA MO KENNETT 2/9 1840-45 \$off; strong, atop WNYC \$POP mx & full-data \$off; WNYC \$off also @ this time (KG-PA)
- 840 WHGH GA THOMASVILLE 2/10 1825-30 %off; good in WHAS null yBl. R&B mx & full-data %off (KG-PA)
- 920 WMEL FL MELBOURNE 2/24 1906 CBS Nx, ID; fair (WPT-DC1)
 - KYSTT TX HOUSTON 2/23 2303 unID SS tlk, sounded like PBP; AU cx still continuing; poor Wheavy co-channel QRM (DP-IL)
- 930 WKOS NH ROCHESTER 2/15 1657-1715 strong 9nulled WCNR/WPAT Wold STD mx, CBS Nx @ :00, clustered ads & Coast AM-930 IDs; also IDd as KOST, Wlgl ID @ :00 (KG-PA) (Hrd here 3/5 1700 with same slogans, format-WRH)
- 940 WCPC MS HOUSTON 2/22 1844-1900 Ygood; ad for Week's Feed Mill, sps on MS net, :48 \$ 93 WCPC-FM Houston; AC mx; well 9WFAW; MS #1 (DS-WI)
- WINZ FL MIAMI 2/24 1809 9nx, ID; fair (WPT-DC1)
- 950 WQUE WV CHARLESTON 2/10 2204 Yrox from ABC-I, ID @ 2206 askQUE AM & FM, Charleston's
- #1 Radio Stn for mx and information + CSW mx; fair, mixing \(\psi\)WWJ (MS-ON1)
 1000 WLNL NY HORSEHEADS 2/14 1726-45 \(\frac{2}{2}\)off; good in WLUP null \(\psi\)ContChr mx, annot of
- PSAs to 111 W. Franklin St & full-data \$off (KG-PA)
 WCCD OH PARMA 2/14 1755-1800 \$off; fair thru WLUP Yeont GOS mx, pregnancy annet,
- & partial-data %off (KG-PA)

 1030 WBZE MD INDIAN HEAD 2/19 1743-444 good, atop %GOS to %off, leaving WBZ 9WNDW (MD-GA)
- 1070 KNX CA LOS ANGELES 2/18 2322-27 9U of AZ-USC BKB game (52-25 @ the half); ad
- for City National Bank; way 9KFDI (TB-KS)
- 1080 WEEP PA PITTSBURGH 2/19 1750-52 L&C, atop, Wads & OLD (MD-GA)
- 1150 WGGH IL MARION 2/22 1733 1800 fair→good Minterview pgm on care for elderly; ment of various REL pamphlets; :58 John Bunyon, WGGH Marion (DS-WI)
- 1180 WJNT MS PEARL/JACKSON 2/22 2323 Talkanet WheiliWMAD/KLIF/Others; NBC theme & Icl nx @ 2326 but faded out before IDing; back to Neil; recheck @ 2358 yprobable promo, truck ad, WJNT Pearl ID & NBC NX...slogen Jackson's Nx-Tlk, WJNT; MS# 3; poor-ypoor (DP-IL)
- 1250 KBRF MN FERGUS FALLS 2/11 1817 steady & good signal yex, a pleasant temp of 0, f not T; 1st-timer ywEMP (WPF-IN)
- 1252 CHWO ON OAKVILLE 2/100 1900-2200 noted 2 kHz high all evening; Wethnic prgmmg; easily separable from 1250 stns (KG-PA)
- 270 WTSN NH DOVER 2/27 1840 good, YAC mx, AM-1270, WTSN, wx 4cast; NH #1: (WRH-NY)
- 1300 WXRL NY LANCASTER 2/10 2259 fair, 9WERE 9ID WXRL Lancaster-Buffalo (MS-ON2)
 - WPNH NH PLYMOUTH 3/5 1735-48 good 9T40 mx, female DJ, 1cl ads including one for a ski clothing outlet (BH-NJ)
- 1320 CFGM ON RICHMOND HILL 2/13 1753 YCsW mx & wx + songs like Raindrops Keep Fallin'
 On My Head by <u>BJ Thomas</u> (WW-MA)
- 1360 WDRC CT HARTFORD 2/7 1659 good YROK OLD, ID @ 1700 Ladies & gentlemen, you're listening to solid gold rock 'n' roll on Big D-1360, WDRC, Hartford (MS-ON1)
- WOGL FL JACKSONVILLE 2/24 1835 fair VID, stn promo for trip #399-0606 (no WRSG!) (DV-NY)
- 1380 WHRS KY WINCHESTER 2/22 1807 good in CKLC null Y-wx, TC, ID-MOR (no horse nx) (DV-NY)
- 1390 WRSC PA STATE COLLEGE 2/133 ≈1800; poor, in jumble YWMZQ/WDOT & a TA het; noted Music all night long (WW-MA)
- 1390 WKIC KY HAZARD 2/22 1802 briefly on top \$ID, Herzard Auto Repair Shop ad+nx (DV-NY)
 - WYXI TN ATHENS 2/22 1815 surfaced 49off by female; 2500 watt ment (DV-NY)
- 1400 WSTC CT STAMFORD 2/8 1835 nx, sps, & 1400 WSTC→Beatles song Yesterday; poor (WW-MA)
- 1410 WLBJ KY BOWLING GREEN 2/22 1740 Yweak, Ytlk (probably WIZM); female annor Ywx, then WLBJ 14-10 (DS-WI)
- 1420 WIMS IN MICHIGAN CITY 2/9 1805 fair Ysps, including 1cl HS BKB scores, ID, ROK OLD (MS-ON1)
- 1430 WIL MO ST LOUIS 2/16 1827 Ygood Yslogan The place to hear real country mx on the radio, we're WIL-AM 1430; in WIMS splash (WPF-IN)
- 1440 WHHY AL MONTGOMERY 2/23 939 ad for truck pull At the Garrett Colliseum in Montgomery (is that like a taffy pull?-WRH); DJ later WCLs when DJ swarded tix to this event
- 1460 KSOt IA DES MOINES 2/20 2302 MBS PM Nx from DC (WC feed is via LA); wx Yrevised forecast for Des Moines & vicinity+CSW mx; no ID; poor+Ypoor; %WBRN (DP-IL)
- 1480 WSAY VA SALEM 2/18 1900 GOS mx, ID, frequent ments of Bedford; fair; (ex:WMEZ) (WPT-DC2)
- 1530 WDEY MI LAPEER 2/29 1852-1904+>Whos's That Girl by Madonna; strong @ times on PSSA? or forgot to 9off since Feb 29 exists only once every 4 yrs, I guess they

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(20)		can get away Wit-hi; 1st-timer, 9WCKY (WPF-IN)
1550	WBSC	SC BENNETTSVILLE - 2/23 2159 fair Wwx, 54' @ WRSC, prog annots incl promo
		for 1cl BKB coverage, ID @ 2200 1550 WBSC Bennettsville, SC- The Gospel Caravan
		Program is next; logging #500 from Milton! (MS-ON1)
	WARD	PA PITTSTON - 2/13 ≈1830, battling a CBC stn; believe I hrd a tlk show; ID as
		WARD 1550 (WW-MA)
	WKBA	VA VINTON - 2/14 1737 good for a minute or two, then lost to WARD; noted GOS
		pgm, TC, ID as KBA (WW-MA)
	WCCZ	FL NEW SMYRNA BEACH - 2/22 1855 hrd \(\frac{1855}{2} \) bylan mx, ID @ 1900, directly
		Beatles song (CS-NY)
1560	KQYX	MO JOPLIN - 2/22 1813 tuned in to hear 1560 KQYX Joplin, MO+adfor Therapeutic

Mineral Ice, the miracle treatment that gets praise during LK & BW's shows; 1st-timer YWQXR (WPF-IN) WAGL SC LANCASTER - 2/22 1811 MAmerica The Beautiful & Soff annots Minvite to

tune in tomorrow; 50 Kw mention (CS-NY) 1570 WYTI VA ROCKY MOUNT - 2/26 2109 C&W mx+DJ (4a thick Southern accent)4CLs+ d for H & H Bargain Outlet (CC-PA)

MS JACKSON - 2/23 1929 AOR "mx"+jx 4CLs (CC-PA) WZRX 1590

KCRG IA CEDAR RAPIDS - 3/1 1905 Upromos for Solid Gold Sat Nite, Tom Snyder & SJR, is that ABC Talkradio?; %KATZ in WSNX null (WPF-IN)

OREYEYARD UPDATE

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		<u>1230</u>	1240	<u> 1340</u>				
ANDY RUGG	Nuns' Island, PQ	29	29	32	23	25	33	171
DALE PARK	Irvine, CA	1	1	1	0	1	0	4
	Winward O'ahu, HI	*	*	*	1	1	*	2
	distance record from	Andy:						
•	GW NH Lancaster	125						

Fig. 4.4.1.

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Kermit Geary//Walnutport, PA//
Wendell Ford//Westville, IN//ICF-2010 (2 rpts)
Todd Brandenburg//Silver Lake, KS//Realistic STA-780 + 200' wire 'round a PVC
Don Voorhies//Oswego, NY//FRG-8800 + LW
Morris Sorensen//Milton, ON//HQ-150 + SM-2 or ICF-2010 barefoot
Morris Sorensen//Emsdale, ON (155 Mi North of Toronto)//Sharp FV-610 barefoot
Ken Onyschuk//Country Club Hills, IL//Superadio
William Wyllie//Franklin, MA//Realistic Modulaire 2200
Doug Smith//Madison, WI//ICF-2010 barefoot
Chet Smith//vacationing in Pensacola, FL//Realistic 12-718 w/built-in loop
Chet Smith//Verona, NY//DX-160 + 80' LW or Palomar Loop
Marc DeLorenzo//Warner Robbins, GA//GE World Monitor + SM-1
Bill Townshend//DXing @ home//Realistic Portavision-40 [12-648], ICF-2010
Bill Townshend//DXing @ 18th & K Sts NW//same equipment
Bob Harrison//Union, NJ//Superadio
Dale Park//Evanston, IL//SangeanATS-803
Chris Cuomo//Verona, PA//Superadio II
Jim Boehm//San Antonio, TX//Superadio II
Bill Hale//Johnson City, NY//Delco Caradio

Paul Swearingen

WU regents OK pact with KEWI

ment with KEWI radio.

At the regular meeting of the cast baseball games and will pro- heard. vide uniforms for the team. In exchange, the university will give KEWI an advertising sign in the under-construction baseball stadium. and an ad in the game programs.

In the deal, KEWI will trade \$3,000 worth of advertising air time to Team Sporting Goods for the uniforms. The university will pay Team about \$315 to fully cover the cost of the uniforms, the board agreed.

And \$450 will be paid to Jim Deines, marketing consultant for

The Washburn University baseball Washburn. He is paid a percentage team will sport new uniforms in the of any such promotional deals he coming season, thanks to an agree- can work out with potential advertisers or benefactors.

The contract replaces a similar Washburn board of regents Wednes- contract which had been made with day night, board members unani- the now defunct WREN radio. The mously approved a contract with the broadcast rights are not exclusive. AM radio station. Under the terms Other radio stations can choose to of the agreement, KEWI will broad- broadcast games as well, the regents

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SPECIAL

pipe

- 990 KKSB CA SANTA BARBARA Ex-KBLS even with KKIS in latter's null 3/1 1917 with "KKSB, Santa Barbara's swingin' ?broadcaster?" & KKSB ID then out of sight at power cut. (DKK-CA)
- 1010 KZRC OR MILWAUKIE - New station came on the air 2/29, first heard here 3/4 1157 with heavy metal format, ID at 1200. Uses "2-Rock" slogan. Fair during the day on 4.5kw power. (NH-WA)
- 1270 KESS TX FORT WORTH - SM 2/28 0502 poor-fair with male DJ, "La Fabulosa" slogans, ads mentioned "aqui en Dallas, Fort Worth. " etc. Also mentioned 24 hour operation. Ex-KSSA, which has moved to 1600 kHz. (TRH-CA)

MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

- 540 KNMX NM LAS VEGAS 3/4 2003 fair-good. SIN news with male annor., then one mariachi tune & into s/off annct. by female. Off by 2008 (7 minutes early). Never heard at sunset before. (TRH)
- 790 KUTA UT BLANDING 3/4 2030-2031 very weak, just caught part of their s/off, including one ID, on tape under KABC/XESU mess. New, UT #33. (TRH-CA)
- 970 KVWM AZ SHOW LOW - 3/4 2017 poor-fair under strong KVIM with long ads by male DJ into pre-recorded "Friday Night Serenade" program of EZL music. (TRH-CA)
- 1030 KJDJ CA SAN LUIS OBISPO - 3/1-3/2 2215-0400+ with Mutual Talk Shows. including Larry King at 2300, Mutual News at 2300, NBC News thereafter on hour. Cut thru KTWO well until KTWO s/off 0300 then atop KKSA easily. (DKK-CA)
- 1090 KNCR CA FORTUNA 3/1 1905 atop with fine signal. (DKK-CA) 1110 KTEK TX ALVIN 3/5 1925 relig. talk show. Weak under KFAB. Full data
- s/off at 1930. (JT-CO) 1140 KVLI CA LAKE ISABELLA - 2/24 1954 surfacing thru KRAK with "This is 1140 on your dial, KVLI." Noted under KRAK 2000 with news. 2005 into political discussion show. QRM from C&W station (KCMJ??). New. 3/1 2045-2100 under KRAK. S/off 2100 with
 - SSB. (DKK-CA) UNID ??? - 2/24 2000-2030 C&W music QRM ing KRAK/KVLI. Topped all 2027-2030 but disappeared at 2030. KCMJ? (DKK-CA)
- 1150 KBAI CA MORRO BAY - 2/24 2120-2/25 0200 mainly the dominant with 40s-50s music. QRM noted from KPLS/KAGO/KIIS/XERM. (DKK-CA)
- 1280 KDYL UT SALT LAKE CITY - 3/4 1953 poor under KFRN at SSS with ID by female DJ, then into Glen Miller's "St. Louis Blues March" (a favorite!). Rare here. (TRH-CA)
- 1450 KAVA CA BURNEY - 3/2 2040-2045 with Shasta Co. Community Calendar in KEST null. ID 2045 then gobbled by Kings BKB station. (DKK)
- 1470 KKFO CA COALINGA - 3/2 2030-2035 with C&W music atop. "Great KFO Country" slogan at 2035. (DKK-CA)
- 1480 EUREKA - 2/26 2055-2105 totally atop frequency, mentioned KRED CA here only because sure didn't sound like only 680 watts! (RHM-WA)
- 1500 KSTP SAINT PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS - 3/5 2145 ID in hockey game broadcast, nicely atop. (RHM-WA)
- 1570 KVRA SD VERMILLION - 2/29 2031 "FM 102." Oldies. Ad for Davis Pharmacy. (JT-CO)

MIDNIGHT TO MIDDAY

- 600 KCLS AZ FLAGSTAFF - 3/10 0853 came in over KKLQ with promo for AT40. Strong for \frac{1}{2} hour then faded out. AZ #27. (JT-CO)
 - SAN DIEGO 3/10 0838 tuned in to ad for Great American 1st Savings Bank. Fair signal with moderate fade. "Q-105, 600 AM." CA #30. (JT-CO)
- 620 KCLQ CA HANFORD - 3/2 0101 s/off under KGW/KTAR with full s/off annets. (DKK-CA)
- 740 CBL TORONTO - 3/6 0559 s/on, weak but in the clear with no sign of usual SM s/off of KCBS at 0600. (RHM-WA)
- 760 SHERWOOD - 3/6 0715 s/on 0715 with GOS format. Good signal. AR #4. (JT-CO)

and a male DJ talking about how well the Denver Nuggets have been doing lately. Lost to KMNY/KXEW mix at 0127. Where

was KGST? (TRH-CA)

nicely atop frequency. (RHM-WA)

3/2 0502 ID as "Lakewood-Denver"

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For ELT substract 5 hours.

Deadline: Monday

- 800 BONAIRE 3.12 0113-0135 religious pgm in SS, unable to pisitively ID. (Headlee)
 - 800 COSTA RICA "En Radio Uno, este es el hit de la semana". Station heard very good with this ID at 0538 on 2.27 but suddenly went off after that. The only station I can find with this name is in San Jose, Costa Rica. PJB and La Exitosa, Panama were off. (Objio)
 - 810 BAHAMAS Radio Bahamas, Freeport very good with weather report at 0505 on 2/27 and ID after that as Radio Bahamas. First time I hear this station on this frequency, then pop mx. Very good, increase of power? (Objio) Not that I know of Chuck
 - 825 ST. KITTS Basseterre 0120-0128 EE sermon "God cares for you", 0159 fadeout, not possible to ID. (Headlee)
 - 855t SOUTH KOREA 12/28 1539 with echo type jammer similar to 1053 KHz (not noted this AM) is here now, maybe a new North Korea FS program here?
 (Vernon)
 - 936t JAPAN JOTR Akita 2/7 1321-1326 male JJ talk, 1331+ two female annors. China QRM. (Vernon)
 - 936 CHINA Anhui PBS Hefei 2/7 1321+ comedy type CC pgm often topping Japan, still here 1338. (Vernon)
 - 1107 JAPAN JOMR Kanazawa 2/14 1606 female annon, some kond of play, 1610 male JJ talk, poor signal. (Vernon)
 - 1116 USSR unid FE 2/14 1502-1518 male RR annor with talk, fair poor sig. (Vernon)
 - 1125 CHINA Hebei PBS Handan 2/14 1518-1542 female annor, lovely CC orchestral mx and choirs, 543 male briefly, presume s/off, then gone, 2 other very weak Oriental stns 1543+ !!! (Vernon)
 - 1152 SOUTH KOREA KBS Wonju 2/14 1704 male KK talk // 1062, 1305, 1467 program 1 of KBS. (Vernon)
 - 1161 SOUTH KOREA HLKU Pusan MBC 2/14 1636-1645, xint sig, two female annors with mx, 1700 sort of flute then male annor and anthem. (Vernon)
 - 1190 COLOMBIA "estas son las emisoras Ondas del Valle, desde Cartago" with a program of tangos. ID at 0632 on 2/27 under Radio Condillera, Bogota with a religious program and a very loud speaker. (Objio)
 - 1206 USSR unid 2/14 1720-1729 male annor w/mx, program 2 // 720 and 810. 2/27 1547-1559 Moscow EE service, YL annor w/request program, 1559 male annor w/metre band info, Kremlin Bells then lost to 1602 when a male had EE news. 2/28 1529 noted w/Mayak IS. All weak signals, presume sked of program 2 to 1530 then EE service 1530+ o past 1602, or am I possibly getting two weak USSR stns? (Vernon)
 - 1224 SOUTH KOREA KBS Suwon 2/14 1704 female KK annor, 1706 two male annors, listed with KBS program 2. (Vernon)
 - 1310 COLOMBIA La Voz de la Patria, Barranquilla just got it in the moment of ID "La Voz de la Patria, dela Cadena Super, orgullosamente colombiana" at 0500 on 2/21 and playing Colombian NA. Signal went off before NA ended. (Objio) Lazy DJ !!! Chuck
 - 1330 VENEZUELA R. Los Llanos, Calabozo with a beauty pageant in that city, they were pressenting the participants at 0357 on 2/28. (Objio)
 - 1335 COLOMBIA "Quedese en Radio Super, Tunja" (stay tuned to Radio Super, Tunja), I heard this ID very clear at 0543 on 2/21 between records of popmx. Very easy. (Objio)
 - 1368 JAPAN unid 2/14 1626 male JJ ballad // HBC 1287, is likely a low powered relay, this went unid here all last year. (Vernon)
 - 1380 VENEZUELA R. Vision, Cajaseca with a very good ID at 0617 on 2/27 and pp mx. This seems to be a new stn on this freq. (Objio)
 - 1390 COLOMBIA R. Suramerica mixed with R. Vision on the same frequency. The ID was very clear at 0547 on 2/21. No location heard. (Objio)
 - 1390 VENEZUELA Vision Trece Noventa (1390) Cabudare, ID this way at 0552 on
 - 2/21, not Radio Vision Lara as before. Pop mx. (Objio) 1400 COLOMBIA R. Universal, Barranquilla, lots of accordion mx, ID at 0600 on 2/21 also with the time as 12:59. (Objio)
 - 1404 UNID stn with news in FF at 0645 on 2/27. Probably Conakry. Weak. (Objio)
 - 1410 PANAMA R. Metropole, ID at 0603 and at once played Panamanian NA. I am not sure of this name, it was very fast. This is the closest name I can mention as the one heard. This seems to be a new stn. On 2/21. Not heard again. (Objio)
 - 1476 USSR unid 2/7 1655 rr type mx then woman and man RR anners talking o/1700, no pips, nothing, was not // program 2. (Vernon)
 - 1490 VENEZUELA R. Favorita El Sol, Martinalbo as a local str here at 0615 on

2.21 with a program of boleros "la musica que nunca muere" (the never dying music), this is a kind of slow and romantic music. (Objio) 1520 PUEPTO RICO R. Deportes, station ID ing this way at 0338 on 2.28 with sports news from Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Venezuela. The only station on this freq is WRAI. New name? (Objio)

1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS 3/12 010 weak mod but often heard, smooth music. Often have S9+ unmod carrier between 0500-1000. (Headles)

1560 HAITI station heard on this freq since some time ago has been regularly ID/ing as "La Voix de l'Esperance" (The Voice of Hope) on 2/28 s/off at 0300 w/Haitian NA sung by a female chorus, it has been stronger lately. (Objio)

1570 TURKS AND CAICOS 3/12 0102 PO box 108 mentioned, "broadcasting from the Turks and Caicos Islands" on top of mess with QSB. (Headlee)

1593 USSR unid FE 2/7 1649 male singer // 1206 program 2. (Vernon)

0 ANGUILLA 3/12 0100 "This is the Caribbean Beacon... 9 o'clock". Good signal with QSB. (Headlee)

1673 UNID 0815-1005 3/3 weak but definite, with jazz music, SS mx. thought copied "Managua" twice and 'Radio Nacionales". NA followed by roostr crow 0958-1002. (Headlee)

1673 CUBA? 3/7 (958-1005 again, martial national anthem with trumpet intro and chorus...possibly communist Internationale, followed by rooster crow. Weak amid radiolocation QRM, but stronger this AM. Bits heard (pardon phonetic spelling) "esta es Radio Moros de ciclo...in la tutto Cubano... esta es Radio Moros de ciclo... buenos dias co colalista (occured twice)... otto diarias ... horas ... Cuba nostro". (Headlee) I think this must be Radio Moron in Cuba and "in la tutto Cubano" is "instituto Cubano", part of the standard Cuban sign on message. So the question is, which Radio Moron is this? Chuck

Jim Headlee - Robersonville, NC

Cesar Objio - Santo Domingo, DR Brian Vernon - Elsa, Yukon

ROGOT, NC125 Superradio, 30' Vertical, 66' LW HE30, 4' loop FRG7000, R7A, 3 Beverages



DXCHANGE

NRC HQ, P.O. Box 24, Cambridge, WI 53523 Items for sale, trade, wanted, etc.

For Sale

Radios

Realistic DX-160 General Coverage Receiver, Good Condition, Mounted in 19" white rack, has jack on back for recording. Plug in speaker. Peaked up recently. \$75 first come, first got (Fred Vobbe, 706 MacKenzie, Lima, OH 45805-1835)

Hammarlund HQ-180A w/2KHz collins mechanical filter, mixer trimmer, recently realigned by Steve Bohac (he also did the mods); SB-620 Scanalyzer; HeathKit GD-125 Q-multiplier; Torrestronics Digital Readout; Hammarlund Speaker. As a group, \$425.00 includes shipping/manual. (Alan Merriman - Box 66 - Annandale, VA, 22003-0066 phone# 703-354-2135)

Hammarlund HQ-180C, needs tune-up, with a Worcester antenna Make offer for any or all [see below for other 2 items] (Roy Barstow, Box 488T, Teaticket, MA 02536, phone# 617-548-2329)

Hammarlund HQ-150, excellent condition but has product detector added, \$135.00 includes shipping/manual. (Merriman)

SP-600 in good condition, Make offer for any or all. (Barstow)

Vintage Atwater-Kent radio, Box type. Make offer for any or all. (Barstow)

Audio Filters

Krohn-Hite 310A w/manual \$40; Datong FL-1 w/automatic notch \$60; Autek QF-1A \$30; MFJ-721 \$20; MFJ-752 w/AC power adaptor \$35; MFJ CWF2 CW Filter \$10. All prices include shipping/manuals or instruction sheets. (Merriman)

Loop

Martens Regenerative Loop \$50.00 includes shipping/manual. (Merriman)

Miscellaneous

Kolb-Sanserino SW preselector \$35 includes shipping/manual. (Merriman)

Palomar Engineers LW Converter w/ B&W in/out Coax Switch \$50 includes shipping/manual. (Merriman)

Grove Signa/Match Tun II Antenna Tuner \$25 includes shipping/ instruction sheet. (Merriman)

Torrestronics Digital Readout \$50 includes shipping/manual. (Merriman)

Tape Recorder

Radio Shack Model 909A Stereo Tape Recorder w/acc \$80 includes shipping/ manual.

Book⊜

WRTVH 1981 thru 1987 in like new condition, also 1975 and 1976 well used, \$35 for all (Merriman)

First Edition NRC Log book, mint condition, \$10 (Merriman)

DX News - 191 back issues of DX News from April 7, 1980 to Oct. 13, 1986. \$25 postpaid or best offer. Will hold til June 1 - must clear out. (K. Rychalsky, Box 87, Beacon Falls, CT 06403-0087)

Wanted Item

Drake R7A, late model, mint condition (Merriman)



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the seconi floor. Tom, currently board operator for the AM, says the station nicked un MW in october, '85 after featuring plies, but "Great Country BRJ" is not so great, and is last in the Mariotta-Parkersburg(St. Marys) ratings because of, "too many country stations(4 out of 13) in the area." A Gates BC5 sends the daytime only directional pattern mainly south well into Charleston, WV and has been heart as far as Alabama. An unheard, I wonder if they could swing it north for a jav into Pittsburgh-hi: Though CT Jerry Kuhn isn't in, supplying some information is Operations Manager Greg Siegfried at the controls for the live-assisted MM. With tames sumplied by Concent Productions of California, Greg mentions a drawback of syndicated music is the formatter, "has music which goes over really well in California, but not here, while on the other hand may not play songs too often that are more popular in this area." Therefore, his station must be alerted to this situation. Operating with 3000 watts, "Q-94" will supposely be allowed to increase to 25 km by the end of the year.

For news and sports, the number one station to tune in the Marietta area is WMOA-1490. Located about 2 miles from MBRJ off route 7 on ascending Lancaster Avenue, the

southwest edge of the city, WMOA has been on the air and at the same location for 41 years as of Sentember 8th. The oolorful light and dark shaded blue ranch type house, undergoing some remodeling, has their tower, which includes the FM bays of WEYQ, positioned just behind them. Along the road is a small sign

PO. Box 708 Marietta, Ohio 45750



with the station's logo. With a full time news staff covering the local scene and national news from CBS, MMDA features "Soft Sounds along the river" or easy-listening live-assisted music, subslied by Alternative Programming, that leans toward AdCon. All 3 major sports(football, baseball, and basketball) are covered on WMDA. The teams include Marietta HS & College, Ohio State, and Cincinnati Reds and Bengals. No longer at the station is my v/s, Assistant GM Dan Latham, who answered in August, '81 when surprisingly there was an AM-FM O4 combo. Probably this is now WEYQ, but no mention of it is made by the son of the owner, VP John Wharff III, though he did mention his father purchased WMOA 2 years ago from the previous owners, Washington Technical College. Also acquired during a past NAB convention in Dallas was their Harris SX-1A. Though most of the staff has left for the day, Dick Gyer is in the studio on the first floor and in the offices downstaris is a young NxD, Leslie Foraker. Having lived a short time in Pittsburgh, Leslie recognizes and is amused by some of my hometown accents on words!

With the visits for today concluded, a short trip is taken to Parkersburg, West Virginia 12 miles south on route 7 where just east of town, a Best Western beckons and I accept. Founded in 1810, the city was the site of the state's first oil wells 50 years later.





"It's 6 minutes after 7 in the morning...the weather forecast for today for Parkersburg and vicinity...mostly sunny, clear, with highs reaching into the mid 80s...presently it's a cool 44 degrees..now back to more of the Maxic of Your Life on 1050 AM WADC." Throughout the day I'll find the announcer, who I'll meet soon, is 100% accurate! Now half an hour later, my first visit for this Wednesday, September 2nd is at WADC/WMGP 99.3. It's my second time at their downtown 703 Market Street location after having found the station the night before. A sign on an overhead extension identifies WADC and, having the bigger billing, "Magic 99.3." Formerly the Hiehle Theatre Bldg., their studios and offices are on the first floor. Under the previous ownership of James Embrescia, the stationswere sold to the Cleveland based group, Signal I Communications. At the mike is WADC morning personality Randy Greene whose signature I possess on a March 21, 1986 v/l and whose voice I heard doing a promo that day. Later, while playing that taped reception for Randy and most of the staff. GM Rick Sainte(who, as of this writing has left the station) is amazed to hear it.

In appreciation, Rick presents me with a WMDH-FM(his previous employer and sister station of "3" -1550 New Captle, IN) 1976-1986 "Ten Years of Great Radio" oure silver commemorative coin! Anyeay, the AM studio, with just enough room for 2, with a stiding glass door for the entrance, and the FA are a bit cramped. but not flandy's style. Meither is "Magic's" morning DJ. 20 Ken Wart, who's tation plays a mix of 70s and current light AdCon hits with 60s music on "Lunchtime at the Oldies." Ranly mentions WADC bicked up NYL in May, 1984 and so far. "it's been a big success in this area." Also, he says, some larger markets have not had as much success or been profitable with the format while smaller market. stations and others who play some of their own(and area's favorite) songs have been able to keep it on the air." From home, Ranly enjoys receiving a Tocal WJAS opening unit only and other related MYL material. In return is a MADO into packet that includes a June Ori BBD mictorial, a recrinted Electronic Cotta article stating today that N 1/MYA type formats "are carried by nearly 100 stations, 74% Varract, "and a story on TADO afterness personality Jack Lee, a 400 year vet of radio and TV. Randy, an Ohio University grad, has convet in armed forces TV, was a remorter for 92 years on local WTAP-TV, then came here. He's also been involved in local public services hosting homeo mings, Easter Jeal telethons, county fair beauty queen contests, and Big Band caravans. A fine talent and merson for a fine station!

A flow blocks east of downtown are Parkersburg's full service country twins. 94(YG-1 20 /4XKX-103.1 "KIX-103." 9h. y 1251 50 1715-1717 ST. MARYS AVE. • P.D. BOX 368 • PARKERSBURG, WV 26102 in the Easton Centro Amortmonto, along with

other burinouses including a home computer store and print shop, on St. Tarys Avanue. At the station is an energetic, highly motivated, extremely intelliwent, and courteous CE Larry Smith. A local native and Glenville State College grad. Larry began his career at Scranton, PA's first FMer WWDL, moved on to TCI dable Communications in Donvor, then returned home to be hired by WKYG in Sectember, '95. His arrival coincided with station's relocation from the wark Shopping Centre into the classic cream-colored Easton Centre which were former-Iv resident apartments. His initial duties were spent building the new studios and making the station look and sound professional marked by a high degree of quality. In addition to his engineering, Larry has a consulting business called Dawntek" of which he started in Denver, loes on-call work for WADC, is a ham with the call "MOSIT", and is a licensed milnt. Recently, Larry has even had an offer to double his current salary and move to Capital Broadcasting's WCAK-680/WVAF-FW in Charleston, WV. However, he declined still finding his current rositions enjoyable and a challenge. As the only full time engineer in the city, Larry feels WKY3 and "KIX" are, "the best maintained stations in the area because I run them like my own." Larry remarks that he's spoiled the staff here so much that, "everytime the slightest little problem occurs, they come running to me!" Not so, he says, at MADC/WMG? where they've had technical problems and sometimes go off the air. As for WKYG, they began operations 45 years ago as WTAP (though Broadcast Yearbook lists them on 40 years ago this month) and changed to the present call in January, '64. Later, the FM, also WTAP, was added, became 'QAW, switched to country in 1983 and WXKX in January, 1985. The owner, Jacor Broadcasting, recently sold the pair to Ritz Communications because, "Jacor wanted to move into larger markets and become the number one media company in the U.S." As for the inside of the operation, offices are on the first floor, the studios on the second, and squeezed on a small third floor is a conference room. As both stations simulcast from 5-10 each weekday morning, "Real Country" WXYG then changes to live-assist receiving music from The Programming Consultants until 11 PM when they pick up Larry King. It's also possible the AM may add some talk programs during the day. Other features include Ae News and Satellite Wx, while "KIK" picks up Parkersburg "Big Red" HS football. One of the services Larry has installed for area residents on 2 carts is a 24 hour "Sportsphone." Also, both stations are very much involved in promotions including a June, '87 car givaway, cash sweenstakes, and shonsoring an uncoming local ore boxing card. Much of the equipment Larry's installed includes an Audiofiles for the AM that acts like a "jukebox" selecting Psas and ads, a Cetec-Schaffer monitoring system, a Traffic System 36, and an IBM computer. A not so subtle joke that sums up the way things are going for AMers these days, on the floor where the machines are is a taned outline of a guy who died in vain while trying to shoot the automation because he couldn't accept it: Maybe he was an AM DXer-hi! Also on the AM side is a prototype Collins board while the FM has an Autogram board with music on carts "as they're easier to use." Larry says the FM doesn't use c.d.s and adds, "cw artists feel people won't buy c.d.s because they're so used to and would rather buy music on tapes or records." On the transmitting end, in between buildings is their microwave tower linking the AM tower, which is in a swamp, along the Ohio River while the FM bays are on too of WTAP-TV 15's tower. Along with a Bauer to back up, WKYG's main transmitter is an all-solid state Collins 250 D2. One thing Larry's enthusiastic about, which I didn't get to see, is /TYQ's huge 10 km Westinghouse transmitter, ori-minally KDKA-FM's, that is, "a work of art!"

He says. "there's commen to in the room that you can't stay in there and it gets so hot you could fry a chicken!" In recent years, his other projects outsite the station include helping to built local CHR (MID-Fet's new studios and was the parson who marked with hob addy outting up "VVW's tower. As for DA, Larry likes to get recents "as they really hele" and are a service. Neither station ever hear), I hope I can hole him! Always coming up with new lines, Larry's honing for approval on one where he would actually fly his clant over the area to give first hand reports on any chemical clant accidents, sternwheeler contests, etc. He says it's always important for him to take charge, "to be more of a leader than a follower." Quite impressed, I and on that note.

STEREO FM 107

Serving the Parkersburg, WV./

Marietta-Belpre, Ohio Market

Its background as one of the oldest AR stations in Jest Virginia (52 years). the third and last stop in the area, even though the AM is licensed to Parkersburg, is just across the Ohio River in Belore, Ohio, /LTr-1450/WNU3-107.L At 1719 Washington Blvd. route 618 in what was originally an old style home, the station was first occupies by WNUS who signed on just about 6 years ago on Sentember 8th. Long before this, MLTP was first known as MAR and had their first studies on the second floor of the Grinter Blig. in downtown Parkersburg right next door to the current location of "ADC. The call eventually changed in 1994 to "TK; ""iss" featuring Adon music from Transtar and was bought by the MNUS owners, Somerset Broadcasting of Indianapolis, thus joining their sistor station. In November, '86, WIKS again changed to "Lite & Lasy" WLTP or "The LiTe of Parkersburg, switching over to Transtar's Format 41 backage which offers a more softer Alcon aiming for the 32-40 ago group. The decision, which has been a nositive rating's move, "was based on numbers," remarked SM Ben Bain and filled a void in the local market of 160,000 people. Along with MVS wx bulletins, MTP also carries many sports packages that include Cincinnat: kels laxball, local HS football, 3 Bob Costas programs (including the live talk show "Coast to Coast"). their own 60 second "Sports Minute" wrap-up 6 times daily, and once again this year "VU football (along with Coach Welhen's Statewide Sourtsline) and basketball. Modern "U.S. Country" "NUS receives their music from Century 21 with many selections from c.d. and was the "first station in the area" to use them. The growth of WNUS has allowed cash givaway contests, while both stations even to remotes, and the FM is "The Affical Concert Station" as mentioned in ad for an uncoming October second show. ENUS also carries syndicated shows including "Live from Gilleys" on weekends. Their awards on the wall in the recoption area include a designation as the "FW Station of the Year (Nationwide) by BM/E Magazine. Inside, some remants of the home remain including ild style chairs and a long table used in a conference room that handles a rublic affairs program Sunday night. A larger room has been converted into a orofunction studin. Downstairs in the offices, the UNUS 20 presents w/ an album!

RAYENSWOOD, W.VA 25154



American Country Countdown

Now to some "real down home country", off I-77 south and route 2, during another bright sunny afternoon where just west of the small town of Ravenswood is the simpl. home & studios of PMOV-1360, my last stop in "Lild "onderful est Virginia." Off to the side, their 120 foot tower stanks about 100 yards away with hills in the background. Somehow there was enough clearance for their 500 watt rsa(1 km lay) signal to have reached home several times in the morning last year: "I know I had a big mouth, but blum up to gitta burgh?!" wrote my v/s PD Drew Hunnell who was heard giving an ad for Excelsion Salt Works back in May, '37. Drew also wrote to, "come on down and look me un!" To I lit! Herever, instead of expecting his "hordy", The lita point to find that this rather large fellow, as I'm told and in called the "Bossman", has left for the day going up to Parkersburg to visit his father who's in the hospital. "be probably might have passed each other on 77," mention! afternoon DJ Henry Fitzwater, aka "Junior." | [Jan't relay another "howdy" from "TV" 's Dave Hoyt who once a decision " and taught Dren just about everything in oalin. Very soon greeting are extended by Salesman Allan Lehew, who enjoys the Steelers and the b/s he's present to and all live we

theman, owner 'M Rex Osborne. The home has been the original location for the "tood Time Country" voice of Ravenswood since 1957 with complete wherehild by in. Morne 4 years later. Still in use is the Gates and the Committee. tables that spin a 60/40 mix of country and bluegrass with "Inlen thee" tonom. Behing Junior in 2 long shelves in the studio is, "the largest of the time (about 1,000) of bluegrass albums in the country." Gr, who Blued the visit in almost, the feer is "always enen" at 11 Y:

UJEN 990 AM

Even on "ail in the family" tradition conditionable by fit the fraction of my most southern atom, WJEH-990/WYPC-101.5, located in a wooded area 2 miles south of Jallinolis, Ohio on route 1/41. Though there are road construction delays on wV

route , they to not "detour" my arrival as directions were provided by a hospitable VP/7% Lynn E. Smith. Lynn remarks that she and her, under the title of Wagner Broadcasting Corobration, now own the stations following the death of her father in 1980 who in turn burchased them in 1966 from the original owner, now a local lawyer, whose initials still make up 与外, "Johnny E. Halliday." Thus on June 12, 1950, 4r. Hallilay brought local radio to Gallicolis and Il years later on December 15th ailei the FM, also TJER. In 1977, the FM changed to YCC, "Your Perfect Companion." In the "family album" is a dictorial history of "J'H: groundbreaking, clearing of land, early personality and employee phobanquets for anniversaries, etc. One special photo is that of a June 26, tos, banquets for anniversaries, etc. The appetract most and occasion or 1977 banquet to coincide with AJSH's birth. Eynn says, "for any occasion or the application of the same of the application of the change, we have a nicture of it!"At present, there are 16 employees including 3 full time JJs for each station, 3 part time DJs, and 2 sales people. In a small stable market, townspeople can identify with the personalities and can even wake up to a most enjoyable program, "The Jim & Gerry Show." "As both of the most listened to" stations in the Tri-State (OH, WV, KY), JEH features AC/ Oldies along with ABC news, Reds baseball & Ohio St. football while WYPC's "Beautiful AC" on Amnex tames is from Carson Radio Services of RI(also used by WBNS-FM Columbus and a later ston), after Booneville Music was dropped. With a feed from COUB-Athens, the stations are also the Emergency Broadcasters for their area. In the studios, the fairly new FM contrasts to the older AM which will soon be renovated complete with a new console and better sound insulation. The snacious interior also has an office for the DJs, a news and sales office, a voice and production studio, and a large stock room. Returning to the studios, young afternoon hosts Randy Parsons on the AM and Eric Turner on the FM provide the bleasantries.....In Lynn's letter and at present, WYPC is being ungraded to a Class B operation going from 35 kw to 50 kw. I never did meet her husband & CR David Smith, because at this very moment, is directing efforts to add 150 more feet of tower to the existing 400 feet now on the guyed FM bringing it to 550', 1200 HAAT. They had also installed a brand new Harris for the FM while Lynn pointed out their old FM Gates was up for sale and included tubes for free. However, I couldn't bargain to bring the price down, otherwise you would have seen or heard about it as an auction item at Lima-hi: As for WJEH, their first Gates was lost in one of two fires with the second fire occuring in 1977 that gutted some of the interior. WJEH now uses a McMartin BA lK, but they aren't satisfied and hope to replace it A short gravel road leads to the large one story building that sits on a small hill with the single 250 foot AM antenna directly behind the station and several yards up on another hill is the FM tower. On the front wall, the identity of this 1000 watt daytimer is very noticable as large letters of both operations are in red and white while the backdrop colors are just the opposite.....From a short notation in August, '87 DDXD, Lynn types a v/l from my dictation of a VJEH reception in July near Butler, PA. No longer here is GM William Gray, my v/s for the FM of 2 years ago. In appreciation of seeing "their home", Lynn extends a lifetime invitation and presents their guest with their old copy of the 1984 Broadcast Yearbook(BY): Then upon leaving. a surprise meeting occurs when WJEH's evening host Perry Barkey, who's from a very small unincorporated town called Hazelkirk back in Pennsylvania, actually knows my aunt who also lives there! Every DXer should meet a "family" like WJEH!



KADIO MID-POM INC.

DIAL MAI 1990
P.O. Box 71

P.O. Box 71 Middleport, Ohio 45760 About one mile west of Middleport, Ohio, in an "awful looking" bea green colored exterior, as labeled by one competitor, is a one story unmarked building, possibly a former restaurant or car wash, and the home to WMPO-1370/FM 72.1 located just off Ohio route 7 on Bradbury Road. As expected, most of the staff is gone for the day, except for 3 young employees, the 2 DJs and CE Ron Stevens, who left and came back just for my visit. Before starting here last November, Ron worked for a time at WYNO, another stop tomorrow. Serving Middleport-Pomeroy, the stations are owned by the Kerr family with a majority interest. A 3 year old ppc was signed by SM John E. Kerr, Jr. To get an "offical" verie on WMPO stationary, Ron listens to an August

25th s/off at 8:27 on tape, made 8 days ago, then allows this DXer to type his first v/l to himself! Finally seen is the AM's Harris SX-5 and 185 foot stick, the tower overlooking the station on a small hill, which send a booming n-d signal heard often at sss in the summer. With the original boards in each studio and production room, Brian Collins spins CHR or "basic Billboard AC, close to Top 40° on records, then signs off the AM at 8:15 with a tape of rock music under the NA, then heads for a local nightspot to play in a band! Board operator Chris Hellam is on the FM which features, installed one year ago, SMN cw.

MORE NEXT ISINE

STATION PROFILE - WSB, 750 KH, ATLANTA

"WELCOME SOUTH, BROTHER" (PART I).

It's a mild late winter evening in 1922, in Atlanta. Suspense mounts in a small, burlap - lined room on the fifth floor of the Atlanta Journal Building. Two men sit before a large, round microphone, as, nearby, packed in a tub of ice, are several fruit jars containing a lead, zinc, and borax solution. These makeshift batteries are powering a 100 watt transmitter. An out of breath Henry Reid, owner of Atlanta's first radio



store, who has run up five flights of stairs carrying a tub of ice enters the room at a jog, to replenish the ice melting in the tub - to keep the rectifier from burning up. The ice was donated by a druggist whose store was on the first floor of the building.

And on this March 15, 1922 evening, Station Director George Iler and Walter Tison, station engineer, opened the large microphone for the first time, and listeners anticipating the historic event heard "Good evening! This is the radiophone voice of the Atlanta Journal!" Thus began the life of one of America's best known and most respected radio stations, WSB, Atlanta.

WSB had its genesis in a proposal by several ham operators to Major John S. Cohen, Editor and Publisher of the prestigious Atlanta Journal. These folks stressed the air waves as a new, and potentially profitable venture. Walter Tison, of Cedartown, GA, a former Navy wireless operator, who knew transmitters, receivers, and antennas persuaded the major to consider radio, and talked himself into a job. After a two hour discussion, the civic minded Cohen saw opportunities for public service, he reveled at the challenge to get a station on the air, and he had heard that the rival Atlanta Constitution had several ham operators quietly working to put a radio station on the air.

Meanwhile, needing to make a living, Walter Tison signed as radio operator aboard an England - bound merchant ship. Upon returning to Atlanta, he learned that the equipment for Major Cohen's station was ordered, a license had been requested from the federal government, and George Iler had been hired as the station's director.

The second week of March, 1922 saw both Atlanta newspapers racing to put the South's first radio station on the air. The target date came, but the equipment for the transmitter did not. Major Cohen made a hurried call to a ham operator in Rome, Georgia, to borrow some equipment. The ham said "Why not.", and the major sent a truck to pick up the rig, George Iler and Walter Tison had it workable by evening. Meanwhile, a telegram signed by C.H. Huston, Acting Secretary of Commerce, arrived that afternoon, authorizing the station to go on the air. And that evening, amid a clutter of wires, batteries, tubes, and generators, in its burlap soundproofed studio, WSB went on the air.

The first facility was a far cry from the station's beautiful headquarters today. Folding chairs accommodated visitors. The station's antenna was supported by two 90 foot wooden masts on the roof of the Journal Building on Forsyth Street. The ice-packed rectifier occupied a prominent place in the studio.

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POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

TELEGRAM

The Postal Telegraph Gable Company Uncorporated I transmits and deliver shis message subject. To the terms and conditions printed on the back of this black

platter the number of words :- "Blue" (Day Lotter) "N.L." (Night Lotter) or "Nity" (Night To

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THE ATLANTA JOURNAL IS AUTHORIZED TO TEMPORARILY BROADCAST
WEATHER REPORTS ON THE WAVELENGTH OF FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE
METERS PENDING ACTION ON FORMAL APPLICATION FOR A RADIO LICENSE
STATION MUST USE RADIO CALL LETTERS W S B REPEAT W S B AND
EMPLOY COMMERCIAL SECOND CLASS OR HIGHER RADIO OPERATOR LICENSED
BY THIS DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY CANNOT BE GIVEN TO BROADCAST
MARKET REPORTS UNTIL AUTHORIZED BY BUREAU OF MARKETS PERIOD
IF YOU DESIRE TO BROADCAST NEWS ENTERTAINMENT AND SUCH MATTER
THIS IS PERMITTED ON WAVE LENGTH OF THREE HUNDRED SIXTY METERS
ONLY

C H HUSTON, ACTING SECTY OF COMMERCE

Shortly after WSB took to the air, the Atlanta area's first "DX'er" telephoned WSB from Lawrenceville, 20 miles away to report that the signal was coming in fine and that "Forty of us are taking turns listening on the headphones at Hudgin's store!" The 100 watt signal carried far beyond Lawrenceville - WSB received mail from across America, Canada, and as far south as the Panama Zone.

In 1922, store sold radios cost around \$700, and the common consumer could not afford these luxuries. Radios were status symbols for the affluent. Store owner Henry Reid noted that he had heard of one woman who never learned how to tune her radio. Thus, as the first WSB promotion, and to build a market, Iler and Tison held evening classes on how to put a set together. Listeners were instructed to bring their own materials to these sessions, held at the Journal Building.

EARLY PROGRAMMING

Major Cohen's policy was that any member of the public who wanted to go on the air had the opportunity to do so. WSB was truly a public voice. Speakers and musical groups, such as the Peachtree Mandoliers, Yellow Jacket Five, and Miss Monk's Orchestra were popular in 1922. Often, with no acts scheduled, Tison would call friends with the message that "We don't have any talent booked. How about coming up and singing some songs for us?" As radio was a novelty, the listeners loved anything - the good, the bad, and the grotesque! The station also carried talks, and even essays written by Girl Scouts.

Much of Sunday programming was given to the Lord. While Baptists and Methodists refused to have their services broadcast, as a microphone would defile the pulpit, but Dr. J> Sproles Lyon, First Presbyterian Church Pastor saw possibilities to expand his ministry, and agreed to air his service. WSB broadcast the very first church service in the US, on Easter Sunday, 1922. The services of the First Presbyterian Church are still broadcast on Sunday mornings.

Listeners were asked to send in meanings for the Department of Commerce - issued WSB call. "World's Super Broadcaster" and "We Shoot Bull" were frequently received suggestions, but "Welcome South Brother" was chosen.

Listeners across America tuned in nightly to WSB General manager Lambdin Kay, who teamed with Journal amusement editor Ernest Rogers. This duo hosted a variety show which became extremely popular, so popular, in fact, that they were occasionally asked to name a listener's baby. The first request was answered with Winifred Susan Beatrice Coker, WSB's original godchild.

Lambdin Kay formed the nation's first radio station fan club. The first night that membership was offered, western Union delivery boys were lined up outside the station with hundreds of telegrams. The fan club—the Radiowls program—started at 10:45 PM, and was on the air until the entertainment ran out. On dull nights, Rogers and Kay would begin calling out a list of stations, trying to



tune in every station in the U.S., and then rebroadcasting the signal over the air. "Let's see what is happening on KDKA....WEEI...KOA...etc.." Today, one would do well to hear these stations in Atlanta!

In the first years, WSB enjoyed other firsts. Some notable milestones were:

-The first eyewitness news report, as Lambdin Kay leaned out a 5th floor window, microphone in hand, to report on a fire in a nearby store.

-The first radio wedding, as the happy couple was married on the air on december 8, 1922. In 1972, WSB threw a party in a studio to celebrate the couple's golden wedding anniversary.

-The first radio station to use chimes. These chimes were later rearranged by NBC, and were an institution for decades, on both radio and television, for decades.

Three years after the air date, WSB moved to the top floor of the Biltmore Hotel - a move to give the growing station more space. The transmitter, now 1000 watts power, was places atop the Biltmore. Today, this transmitter is on display in the Smithsonian Institute in Washington.

In 1926, the NBC Radio Network was founded, and WSB became a charter member on January 9, 1927. WSB was only beginning an exciting life as the South's foremost entertainer and source of information.

The Editor wishes to thank Dave Foulk, WSB morning anchor newscaster, who made available much early information from the WSB archives for this station profile on one of America's best known and most listened to stations. As will be covered in the final installment, WSB has been and continues to be Atlanta's most respected radio voice. The drawings are from the book "Welcome South Brother", published by WSB for it's golden anniversary in 1972, an affair attended by broadcasters and entertainers from around the world.

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WSB STATION PROFILE - "WELCOME SOUTH BROTHER"

PART II - WSB THROUGH DEPRESSION, WAR, AND PEACE..

Under the imaginative general manager, Lambdin Kay, WSB's reputation of a trustworthy and dependable radio station continued to grow, as it continued to serve its loyal listeners. One novel twist was the Cheerful Givers' Campaign, begun in the early 1930's, asking for aid for the needy at Christmas. The Cheerful Givers prototyped the many such yuletide radio and newspaper funds today.



In 1930, WSB increased its power to a gigantic 5000 watts, an event which caused NBC to broadcast an hour long salute to the station. 1933 saw the government approve a further power increase to the maximum of 50,000 watts, making WSB truly the "Voice of the South". This signal was broadcast from the same building in northeast Atlanta that is used today. NBC commemorated the power increase in a 90 minute special celebration, MC'd by Lambdin Kay, and featuring Will Rogers, the Pickins Sisters, and other Georgian talent.

WSB innovated in many areas. In 1933, the station began to carry the play by play of major league baseball games. The morning show, a regular habit in thousands of Georgian homes, was hosted by Charles Smithgall, and sidekicks Daisey the Calf and "Professor Early Q. Wormcatcher", plus a lot of live musical talent, including the WSB studio orchestra. WSB also began to aggressively sell commercials to local businesses. To inform, WSB hired its own news team, and aired six broadcasts daily. Listeners also heard a lot of interviews - WSB was on top of every major issue, in a format, which would 50 years later be called "Talk Radio".

Compared to the sterility of today's typical control room, the WSB announcer's booth, as portrayed in a picture from the station's archives, featured drums, bells, chimes, horns, and other sound effects. The announcer's job in the '30's consisted of more than throwing switches and feeding cart machines.

As the nation recovered from the Great Depression, WSB received letters from listeners all over the world. In one day, the station got 155 letters from New Zealand, and 47 pieces of mail from Australia. One contest in the 1930's, mentioned only three times on the air, generated over 20,000 mailed entries.

WSB announcers, who ID'd the station every half hour, wore suits and ties. Some radio stations in this era required the studio announcers to wear tuxedos on night shows. WSB host Ernest Rogers, commenting on announcer dress, wrote "Spring is here, the poets pine, the sap is on the rise, announcers dress so very fine, we goggle with surprise!" In spite of immaculate dress, goofs did get out over the airwaves though. Listeners heard a classic when chief engineer C.F. (Harry) Dougherty, who was coordinating a church broadcast with an engineer at the church. Listeners heard (Minister) "And Christ said unto his disciples......" (Engineer) "Hello Harry....Hello, Harry....is everything coming in all right up there?" Another church remote failed, and the announcer covered the dead air with music. Unfortunately, the selection was "Heaven Can Wait".

Red and Blue Networks

In 1938, NBC split into the Red (entertainment) and Blue (culturally-oriented) networks and allowed an affiliate to carry only one network In a bit of maneuvering, the Atlanta Journal acquired the license of WTFI, Athens, moved the station to Atlanta, changed the call to WAGA (for "Atlanta, Georgia"), and this station carried the Blue Network. WAGA was sold to Plough Radio in 1959, and Plough changed the call to WPLO. WPLO still broadcasts, now a country music format, on 590khz.

A significant event, which would shape the life of WSB occurred in 1939. Ohio Governor James M. Cox purchased the Atlanta Journal and WSB, forming the cornerstone of his communications empire.

WSB in the War Effort

Tranquil American life and isolation from the rest of the world was shattered forever amid the bomb blasts at Pearl Harbor, and the strikes by Hitler's Third Reich. WSB served its listeners well during this national emergency. WSB broadcast 21 hours daily, which was unusual for a radio station in the early 1940's. Nineteen daily newscasts kept Atlanta informed. The war programming went



beyond news. When Atlanta experienced its first blackout, WSB helped by explaining the situation to the citizenry. Special programs provided communications between the armed forces and

civilians. The weekly series, "Reveille in Dixie", stressed the need to win the war. WSB correspondents visited and broadcast from Forth Benning, Camp Gordon, and other state military installations, telling its listeners about the training and welfare of the folks in uniform. "Camp Crossroads was a series of programs interviewing GI's all across the country. "Atlanta Army Report" daily featured questions about the war, and the "War Mailbag" answered non-military inquiries about price controls, food and gasoline rationing, and other conditions of life at home.

WSB's was contributions went far beyond military service. The station carried information for farmers on the production of food and cotton.

During the war, with ships being built from proceeds from Liberty Bonds, WSB sold \$10 million of these bonds to build five Liberty Ships at \$2 million per vessel. In connection with this project, 4-H members grew enough food to fill the five ships and more!

In anticipation of the Normandy Invasion on June 6, 1944, WSB stayed on the air around the clock for two weeks. At 3:12 Am on D-Day, WSB was alerted that Atlanta Journal Editor Wright Bryan would be on NBC. Bryan, and WSB, were the first to break the D-Day story to an eager nation.

Under Governor Cox, WSB created a farm department. Agricultural news was aired. The station participated in the University of Georgia Extension Service, and modern farming methods were popularized on WSB.

personalities on the barn dance were Chick Kimball, who did the Wildroot Hair Tonic Commercials, Harpo Kidwell, the harmonicaplaying "Kentucky Colonel", Hank Penny, the Barn Dance comedians, and dozens of musical acts, the most noteworthy being the Herman Horsehair Bugfuzz". Alas, however, this group's contribution to

the musical world is long lost to posterity.

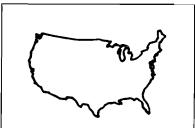
For years, Atlanta was the country capital of the country. However, the hillbilly era ended in Atlanta, as it never made the transition to television.

The Winecoff Hotel Fire

Tragedy struck Atlanta on December 7, 1946, as flames swept the Winecoff Hotel. 119 guests died and hundreds of others were injured in the inferno, which trapped many victims in their rooms, and others were killed in desperate leaps to the pavement. WSB interrupted regular programming, and broadcast casualty lists, appeals for nurses, blood plasma, housing, and other needs.

WSB-FM

The Cox Broadcasting Company pioneered yet another innovation, as on November 16, 1944, WSB-FM signed on the air. Originally an experiment, the station had no set operating hours, and its signal had a radius of only 25 miles. After the war, as radio sets became smaller, and homes had more of them, WSB-FM began commercial operations. On September 28, 1948, the station signed on a frequency of 104.5 mhz. It later moved to 98>5 mhz, and on May 15, 1973, WSB - FM began 24 hour a day operation.



The area within WSB Radio's measured 0.1 m/m contour on this map represents the interference-free area for a Class 1A Clear Channel station. The 0.5 m/m contour represents WSB Radio's pimmay service area. WSB Radio's nighttime signal has been heard in all areas of the continental United States.

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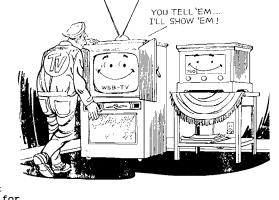


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PART III - "AM 750-WSB. YOU CAN DEPEND ON IT!"

With World War II now history, Cox Broadcasting continued to innovate in both technology and programming. On January 8, 1948, WSB received approval to operate a television station on Channel 8. Anticipating favorable FCC action, WSB had ordered equipment from RCA, including a mobile TV unit. A 16 acre tract was purchased just north of the Peachtree - West Peachtree intersection, for



a new radio and television complex. The first television set was sold in Atlanta four months before Channel 8 began operations. 2500 TV sets were predicted to be in Atlanta homes by the time WSB-TV went on the air. Most of the WSB staff transferred to the TV group. Later, WSB moved to Channel 2, where it broadcasts today.

In the early 1950's, WSB Radio realized that its sister TV station, and television in general was going to require some serious programming decisions. TV was cutting into radio's talent pool, advertising revenues, and audience. WSB then became the "Radio-Active Voice of the South", began lots of audience participation programs, instituted "Night Beat" (which covered all Atlanta news and happenings live), and carried a lot of interviews.

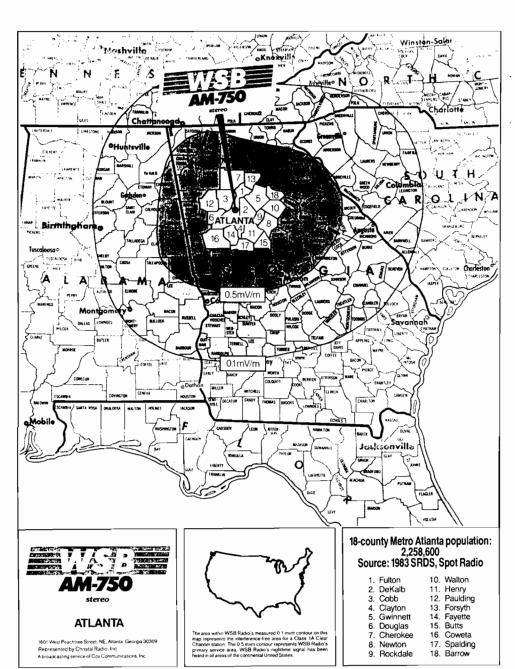
In 1955, WSB moved to perhaps the most palatial radio - TV home in the United States - the beautiful "White Columns". Newspaper reporter Ralph McGill eloquently described the new home of WSB as "High upon a green and tree - crowned hill, the structure is first viewed as some cloud - like castle of pillard dreams blown by vagrant winds from some romantic vision of the Old South as one

sees them on the slopes where Peachtree Street makes its great curve to the northwest..... The studios themselves inspire one to look toward the unknown bound up in the future...." Capping a wooded knoll, behind the ornate Anti Bellum facade of White Columns is an electronic maze. The building itself, eight years



in planning (partly because of shortages of materials due to the Korean War), cost \$1.5 million, It contains WSB Radio, FM, and TV, and the Cox Broadcasting Corporation offices. This site had once been the location of an Anti Bellum plantation, and in 1864, the land served as a portion of the outer defense to protect Atlanta from the invading forces of general Sherman. "Tara", the O'Hare home

in "Gone with the Wind", and the Anti Bellum Governor's Mansion in Milledgeville, Georgia, inspired the structure. On December 28, 1955, WSB Radio signed off in its Biltmore Hotel studios for the final time, after thirty years in this location. The following day, the station signed on the air from its new facility.



Today, WSB radio airs its signal from this breathtaking structure. After walking up the tree lined walkway, a visitor to the station enters a front lobby decorated with English traditional furniture. A 200 year old Waterford crystal chandelier dominates the lobby, as does a red rug tufted in Holland. Needlepoint on the antique Chippendale sofa was crafted in London. The executive offices are located just off this lobby. If one enters through the North Lobby, one walks upon a unique Oriental rug, featuring a "Tree of Life" design. This rug was imported from an ancient Persian castle. A French grandfather's clock dominates this foyer. The chimes have been silenced, because, due to the acoustics of the building, the chimes would echo through the corridors and into the offices.

WSB - AM occupies two studios, including the control room, a large talk studio, a news studio, and an ultra modern production room. WSB "99 FM", a live assist soft rock station, also has a studio here. "99 FM" programs soft rock music for an adult audience, and broadcasts no hard rock.

The WSB news room is one of the best equipped anywhere. It features computerized wire services and two way radios for live remote reports. The news room communicates constantly during drive times with the WSB Trafficopter. Here, WSB receives feed from UPI, ABC Audio, and the fire and police department radios. The morning drive times news is anchored by Dave Foulk, former WSB Trafficopter pilot, who now is responsible for the most listened to news production in Atlanta.

WSB carries all school and work cancellations due to snow or ice storms, the latter being an unpleasant part of Atlanta winters. An inch of snow can close the city down, except for the magnificent new Metro rapid transit network, The WSB news room has the authority to take over the station for a big news story, such as the Challenger explosion.

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WSB has earned hundreds of awards for public service. Many are exhibited in the station's Hall of Awards just outside the AM studios and control room. This hall tangibly represents Major Cohen's legacy of a tradition of commitment to civic service,

Radio Memorabilia

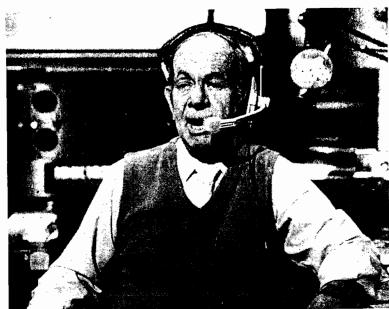
In the basement of White Columns is found a case of radio artifacts from the history of WSB. While many of the original station's pieces of equipment are now in the Smithsonian Institute, the station has preserved, and displays early microphones, the WSB chimes, crystal radios, log books, and a reception antenna. In the spirit of friendliness and southern hospitality, WSB invites any NRC member passing through the area to stop in to visit this impressive display.

The WSB transmitter is located ten miles northeast of White Columns, in the middle of the Northlake Shopping Center, off Henderson Mill Road. The parking lot is built atop the ground system, and the transmitter is in a windowless brick circular building. A 589 foot guyed vertical antenna sends the 5000 watt non-directional signal to points as far as New Zealand, according to a tape recently received from a DX'er in that island country. WSB's signal is heard nightly in at least 38 states, parts of Canada, and Central America, a feat which is duplicated by few other United States Clear channel stations. With its clear channel frequency, and excellent full service programming, WSB today is truly the "Voice of the South".

The National Radio Club thanks morning anchor Dave Foulk, and the other staffers in the WSB news room for all of their help in preparing this station profile. Dave is a University of Tennessee Political Science major. He has received many awards for news coverage. Dave has been with WSB for ten years, having served as assistant news director, news director, traffic copter pilot and reporter, and now is AM news anchor. He arrives at WSB at 3:30AM to prepare for his responsibilities of coordinating Atlanta's most listened to news.

Thanks are also extended to WSB for its help given to many NRC members in the form of reception verifications, and for the invitation to view the memorabilia displayed at White Columns. White Columns is on Peachtree Street, just off I-75, and is certainly worth a visit. WSB is a very professional station, rightly proud of its long record of service to the South.





Bill Keene doing his traffic report on KNX-AM radio in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles Journal

Traffic Guru Gives Rush-Hour Relief

By ROBERT REINHOLD ecial to The New York Times



LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28 - Through the morning fog, smog and freeway jams comes the blast of Bill Keene over the radio:

"A truck just spilled a load of hay on the Long Beach Freeway at Imperial. There are bales of bay strewn all the way to the 91 Freeway. On the Santa Ana Freeway northbound we have a vehicle facing the wrong way in the fast lane. The Harbor Freeway is a little grungy past Century. Tipster The Big Cheese tells me the southbound 605 is backed up all the way to the Footbill." So goes another pleasant morning

for Southern California commuters. All eyes are on the road, all ears to Bill Keene, the traffic reporter for KNX-AM radio, perhaps the most popular of Los Angeles's traffic gurus. It speaks volumes about this region to say Mr. Keene is probably better known and trusted than the Mayor or the Governor.

Traffic is the common denominator, the great leveler, of Angelenos. Rich and poor alike, Rolls-Royces alongside rusted Toyotas, fume in the gridlock. The only relief is to tune in Mr. Keene at 1070 AM, with his pon derous puns, impish humor and reliable information. It is a world of "chrome crunchers," "paint peelers" and "gawkers' blocks," of spilled loads of potatoes, ketchup, fish, carpet rolls, gasoline and portable toi-

"Those Porta-Potties are forever falling over," he says. "There's a John in the No. 2 lane. That's a considcrahle hazard on the freeway. People are not about to hit those things."

The bearer of the daily ill tidings, six times hourly during the morning and evening rush, is a 60-year-old increorologist turned traffic maven, an avuncular-looking man with reading glasses perched over a bulbous

The radio offers comfort against the great leveler.

nose. In a tiny sound-proof cubicle full of rasping police scanners, telephones and teletypes, he is a one-man hand: phone in right ear, typing with pudgy fingers on the left hand, pushing buttons with the right, Carlton cigarette between lips. Suddenly he's barking into a big black microphone and 750 miles of freeway sway to his tune:

"Down in Orange County, Tipster Chuck from Cucamonga tells me 57 westbound at Lincoln we have a stalled vehicle in the No. 4 lane. A roofing truck is on fire on the Golden State Freeway between Los Feliz and Glendale Boulevard. Be alert and you won't get hurt."

Pity that Mr. Keene wasn't on duty early last Thursday morning when a Brink's armored truck spilled \$400,000 in nickels, dimes and quarters on the Pomona Freeway; talk about traffic jams.

Mr. Keene's information comes from the California Highway Patrol, a fellow reporter in an airplane, Judy Abel, and a network of about 500 "tipsters" who daily call from their cellular car phones

According to the Arbitron ratings, Mr. Keene, who also gives the weather, reaches 872,800 different people weekly during the morning rush and 725,600 during the evening on KNX, a CBS-owned station. Little wonder there is a market for his wares in a town where even buying a carton of milk usually requires a ride. The Southern California Association of Governments estimates that the region's 8.7 million licensed drivers make 40.2 million trips a day, driving worker commutes 10.7 miles each way, and the average "slammer bammer" with its attendant "curiosity creep" can make thousands late for work.

Mr. Keene's duty is to ease the burden. "Everybody in this city pretty well accepts their fate," he said.
"They know it's a miserable ride. So anything I can do to make it lighter has got to help."

Until recently, Mr. Keene knew firsthand about freeway headaches. For 15 years he commuted to his studio in Hollywood from Tarzana, a grueling 16-inile trek, four times a day. He recently moved closer, to the San Fernando Valley, only 10 minutes awav.

Mr. Keene, who moved here from the far less crowded environs of his native North Dakota 33 years ago, has imagined the ultimate freeway horror

"Someday, downtown right at the intersection of the Santa Monica and Harbor Freeways, a truck turns over spilling gasoline, closing the two freeways. Next some trucker on the Golden State Freeway runs into the backup from that at the Pasadena Freeway and spills some white powder, lime or something like that, not really had. Immediately they say that's some dangerous chemical, and they won't go near it. So they close the Golden State. That in turn backs up to the Ventura Freeway, which backs up through the San Fernando Valley, and then some guy coming onto the Ventura at the San Diego Freeway hits his brakes and spills a big load of something all over the interchange. At that point roughly two-thirds of the Los Angeles basin is absolutely gridlocked.

"Everybody would get up in the morning, listen to this on the radio and stay home. All the traffic would go away and we'd have Eden around here'

How does Mr. Keene stand the pres sure? "This ain't bad," he said. "I 221.3 million miles daily. The average could be out there in that stuff."

MUSINGS

Paul Swearingen

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The opinions expressed in this column are those of the individual writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the Editors. Publishers, or the National Radio Club, Inc., or its subsidiaries. Times are local per Muse.

A nice turnout of March Musers this issue ... perhaps as a reaction to the extra-slim issue? No takers on the vanity license plate theme, though. I'm still taking suggestions (as always) for new Musings themes; feel free to attach a Musing to your idea, hi. Your next deadline is a few weeks away, on April 16, so no need to hurry your contributions; the next deadline is May 21, and after that, June 25, as we move into the monthlies. And nowww ... on with it!

Paul Swearingen - Midway, USA

I know of at least two other NRC'ers who sport vanity license plates advertisers besides myself. Relf Luton (and my sympathies are with his family, also), if my memory serves me, sports North Carolina plates reading "BCB DX", and Bruce Conti's plates on his T-Bird at the Colorado convention were the same. Correct me if I'm wrong. Of course there are hundreds of amateur radio calls gracing plates across the country; they were Kansas' first "vanity" plates before other personalized ones were authorized. My California plates (which I have saved) read "BCB DXER", and my Kansas plates (which have not arrived yet) for one car, at least, will read "BCBDXER" (no space). Now ... does anyone else sport vanity plates promoting the hobby?

My hat is off to Jerry Starr for compiling the list of night authorizations. What a job! The only station I can hear is KLWN-1320, whose signal is usually (but not always) dominant here. But I wonder how many of the authorizations are being used, and if used, how

many are on the air after, say, midnight? 73.

Bob Smolarek - Rd #1, Box 63 - Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889

Jan. 19 produced a fantastic aurora at sunset as I added four newies from Florida. It started at 5:03 pm with ZNS-1-1540 from the Bahamas all alone on the channel. I heard WOBQ-1410 from Leesburg, WKIS-740 Orlando with news/talk, WFIV-1080 Kissimmee, and finally WRFA-820 Largo with country music. I'm glad I got WRFA because I've seen many DX'ers report them in DXN. On Feb. 2 a nice surprise on 960 at 6:17 pm as WWST in Wooster, OH gave a clear ID. On Feb. 16 KMA-960 Shenandoah, IA came in, a fantastic catch, only my 3rd Iowan. Bet you can guess the other two. I only had the radio on for 5 minutes before I logged KMA! (You can have it! Seriously, good catch -pls) On Feb. 24 another auroral night; WTLN-1520 in Apopka, FL came in, no WWKB! I have heard WIOT in Horsehead, NY on ther new 820 freq., ex-1000. WOBM Lakewood, NJ has moved from 1170 to 1160 and changed format to satellite delivered country music. Their signal is pretty good in Middlesex County where they used to be inaudible on 1170 due to WBRW. They fooled me; I thought I was listening to WYNS Lehighton, PA, and that they had changed to country music. WGBB-1240 on Long Island has changed calls to WBAB and is simulcasting WBAB-FM 12.3 with AOR rock. Doesn't ake a whole lot of sense. (Not cents, \$\$\$! -pls)

Roger Winsor - 727 S. Wisconsin AVe. - Hobart, IN 46342 CST

Hello to all. Yes, I am still alive and well; just haven't been in these pages for awhile. DX interest is mostly on the back burner what with the raising of a wonderful son and re-establishing oneself in a marriage

Nothing really happening on the radio here as far as changes. WLTH-1370 tried a jazz/fusion format for awhile, but it is basically back to talk now. Still on 0600-2400 daily. WMPP-1470 was off the air for a few days but now back on with GOS and is now NSP, bankrupt and for sale, but NSP.

I am now the morning man at WAKE-1500 six days a week, playing old rock from 6-7, then nx/info/interviews 7-9 am, then swap shop host from 9-10 slot. Lots of fun to be back in real radio instead of being just a tape jockey like at WNDZ-750. Our CE is Carl Fletcher, but I am the official verifier. He does a lot of tesing during the wee hours, as our XR eats tubes.

New stations since last reported at 12-1: KAWW-1370 AR s/on at 0600 above the jumble; 12-10: WMVO-1300 OH "13 WMVW" contest; 0510 1-5-88 WWNR-620 WV strong o/WTMJ with "Magic 62 WWNR" ID's, on day power? At 5:20 completely dominant. 1-25: WWWN-1550 Vienna, GA with local ads out of GA nx o/WBSC at 0505; and finally WOKT-1040 KY on 1-29 at 4:05 pm ending USA net nx into tri-state wx on WOKT. Total limping along at 3006 hrd.

The GE Superadio sees to be suffering as I am experincing a lot of slopover from locals unless they are nulled. This year ought to be better for SRS as WAKE sked will be 0600-1800 daily, so I will be able to hear some stuff s/on and not have to be on the air myself. Last year WNDZ came on at 0515, and that was terrible getting up so early. I get no response at all when I ask for help in locating old earphones, etc., so won't ask anymore. (Have you tried Fair Radio Sales in Lima? And Antique Electronic Supply - 688 W. 1st St. - Tempe, AZ 85281, [602] 894-9503 sells a 2000 ohm pair, for use with crystal sets, for \$9.95. Thanks to Terry Smith, Van Nuys, CA for sending that catalog along -pls) Milwaukee seems like a good bet, but then so did Lima last year. Motel expenses are the biggest grab. 73's to all.

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Greetings from Redskinsville (second World Championship in six years). Enough people (yours truly included) to populate Washington proper with a few thousand to spare turned out to watch their idols motorcaded out Penna. Ave. NW to the mayor's and President's receptions. During SuperBowl XXII, I did a special bandscan on stations carrying the game: WMAL-630 (flagship), WBEM-780, WTAR-790, WCCO-830, WFMD-930, KMOX-1120, WCAU-1210, KOV-1410, and WCKY-1530.

I'm not planning on a trip to ANARC this July on the WC but I do plan to make it to Brewtown for the "double nickel" or emerald anniversary of NRC. We had many nights of AU cx over the last three weeks, with cx peaking around 1900, enabling me to log Jamaica on 700 before dinner. While I was down there vacationing in the spring of 1973 at the Chatham Beach Hotel in Montego Bay (the station on 700 is there), I heard WTOP-1500 bombing in like a local just before an alfresco dinner around 2000. Time for SP. 1001001 (binary) de WPT.

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Greetings, all. Block buster news ... I stated in my last Muse that NBC was going to sell off its owned and operated stations (O&O's). Well, a strange scenario could be in the offing. It appears that Emmis Broadcasting may be taking over WNBC and its sister station WYNY. Nothing big yet? Well, Ennis also owns WFAN and WQHT in the Big Apple. Due to FCC regulations, this would be a no-no. Insiders are speculating that if the deal goes through, WNBC's call letters will drop and that WFAN-1050 will move to the 660 spot, a much better position for their sports programming, with much wider coverage, as all of us DX'ers know. WNBC currently has the rights to the Rangers and the Knicks, but how WFAN will handle this situation has still to be worked out. Also to be ironed out is the future of many of the highly-paid WNBC on-air personalities. WNBC has always scored poorly in the ratings, much to the dismay of its owners, as WNBC is the flagship station ... WFAN will be carrying WBA fights from Madison Square Garden every other Thursday night ... The Federal Government has ruled that meterologists working for the National Weather Service are not allowed to do regular air shifts for commercial stations. As a result, KMOX in St. Louis has Ben Abell to do the weather reporting ... WING's afternoon DJ Steve Warren was certainly busy in early February, doing remotes from New York City, Nashville, and Las Vegas .. With the rapid growth of Goldies stations playing rar from the '50's-'60's and maybe early '70's, I was wondering if there were any stations operating with Solid Gold Country formats on a fulltie basis? ... WINE-940 has completed the crossover to a solid gold station ... WTAE has picked dup the rights to air Paul Harvey's shows from WTKN ... WTKN has also dropped its affiliation with Talknet. Talknet has moved over to KQV ... WAMO has given the Whammo to the bulk of its on-air staff in a move to automated programming ... The Broadcast Pioneers Foundation has announced that its Golden Mike Award for 1988 will be awarded to KOMD-AM ... WGAR's David Lawrence has moved to WTAE-AM Pittsburgh, replacing Jack Bogut.

I have been having some fun with the TVRO system in my classroom in the mornings. One of the ABC satellite transponders sends an audio feed from the United Kingdom along with its video test patterns. The other day we listened to the weather and news, from London, finding it to be most enjoyable. Unlike the standard fare of the BBC on shortwave, this particular station sounded a lot more Americanized in format, but the "Queen's English" and expressions were in evidence, naturally. It must have been a "local" type station, as one of the news stories dealt with two drivers who resorted to fisticuffs following a small incident on the motorway. Instances of this type of behavior have become so routine, unfortunately, in most localities, that reports of this nature would never find airtime. This reminded me of the time I was traveling from Jacksonville back to my duty station in Punsacola on old Highway 98, well before I-0. I was in the middle of nowhere and the AM-only radio in the car was picking up one station. This station had a most unique format, Mancini/Ave Maria - and dead air programming. I almost lost control of the car laughing when the announcer stopped the record to advise its listeners that a local farmer's cow had unter out into the road and for drivers to be careful in the area. Boy, has programing changed since then ... Recent remarks in the TDXB reflecting youthful comments about AM radio are certainly true. In discussions with my students, I find it hard to believe that they are so ignorant of the AM band. While I can appreciate their FM needs, being music-centered, you wouldn't believe the looks in their eyes when I explain to them that Not-100 or Q-98 aren't legal call letters. "W's and K's ... never head of that." It is a bit more exciting, for some students, when they have to find out whether or not there will br school today, when they or their parents turn on the old AM band and search for something loud, that takes up a wider area of the dial, that would have to be the "local" station. Same of the more sports-oriented kids will go hunting for their favorite team's games, if they are not on the cable TV. Boy, how times have changed ... So much for now.

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There are some changes to share with the membership, and some comments that misuald provoke thought and debate. Rosemary, my wife, and I ended a 2 1/2-year wait in February and welcomed Donny, age 5 1/2 and Tammie, age 4 into our home. After a six-month report as guardians, their final adoption should be complete by year's end. Waiting for an multiplion is a tedious experience, but to see the smiles on their faces is worth the quotional rollercoaster ride we've been through. (Congrats on this wonderful milestone! (da)

Bill Mack is back overnights on WBAP-820. That means that real country music can be limited where WBAP isn't blocked out by one of the newly added local stations. Mack had α lengthy career with WRAP until 1982 when a management dispute forced his departure. He spent some time on KLIF and the KXOL (now KWUS-1360) and an FM station but is glad to be back in the 50 kW saddle of WBAP. And he still rings the cowbell, for many years WBAP's idea of, an interval signal (especially in the 820-570 split frequency days).

DX improved with the addition of a Sony ICF-2010. I drained my "piggybank" of loose change, yes, rolls of quarters, dimes, and nickels to purchase it as a birthday present to myself in October. This radio spoils you as Wendell Ford and other club members who use the set prove weekly with their DDXD reports. My best catch on the set so far was KFEK-1530 with Kings/Warriors NBA play-by-play. I still enjoy my TRF, which doubles as the family's "Bruce Box" (for listening to Bruce Williams) and my RF-2600 is an old friend. But the 2010 takes the cake. I'm disappointed, though, with the 2010's 116-136 mHz section as I've heard little more than channel hiss. Any input from members on improving reception on those frequencies will be appreciated.

"The Rodney Dangerfield" of radio programming and consequently DX seems to be the satellite-delivered programming services, particularly Satellite Music Network and Transtar. I do some free-lance writing and audio production for Satellite Music Netork's sales department; cassette tapes I produce demonstrate the different formats to prospective clients. And I'd like to stick my two cents into the question as to why stations would want to affiliate with a satellite service. What SMN, Transtar, and other services deliver is radio programming using resources unaffordable to many stations. In exchange for 2 commercial minutes per hour and a monthly fee, a station can go on-line with pleasant though generic programming that most listeners will find inoffensive. A station gets decent voices, some personality, and lots of drop-in liners that supposedly make the whole thing sound local. Most NRC members know it often doesn't come across that way, but to the other 99% of the world it doesn't matter.

What really hurts a satellite network's presenttion is a lack of commitment by the local affiliate. For example, timings for breaks are critical, so when a local break is screwed up it can sound rather bad. A lot of satellite affiliated stations have attempted to interface their automation systems to increase walk-away time ... a good idea ... but if the system is not maintained, obvious errors will happen. My biggest gripe is with those stations who refuse to do simple maintainence, making sure audio levels are consistent, tape machines are cleaned, tape carts in decent condition. You've heard the problem ... the song sounds fine, the local drop-in cued by the network sounds muddy, off-speed, and generally garbled, then the network announcer comes on live and sounds okay. After a while the listener gets frustrated and, not knowing why, changes to another station, never to return. Does a satellite network actually work? Yes, if the local affiliate is attentive to the details of the net's operation. The local station still has the freedom to do news, cover sports, provide something in the way of public service, and have a music service of acceptable quality, if that's what THEY want to do. In the presentations I write for Satellite Music Network, I stress the fact that all of these things are possible, that the station should in fact have more time to be imaginative with its programming. stations figure that the money that they invest in the satellite dish, receiver, and the monthly fee is imagination enough.

Now more than ever before radio is a bottom-line business. The great inflation of the early '80's didn't help radio as many stations positioned themselves as the low-cost alternative to TV and newspapers and lived to regret this positioning. If you study the small-market **Standard Rate and Data** book you'll be surprised at the number of stations selling time in the 5- to 10-dollar per minute range. Many small-town stations, AM and FM alike, do not bill in excess of \$150,000 per year gross sales. Yet station purchase prices are at ridiculous levels because many sales are predicated on market potential ... blue sky that rarely exists. To put it in dollars and cents, if I were to pay \$400,000 for a station that bills \$150,000 per year and probably can't do much better, then I too would be attentive to my bottom line. You might also question my sanity because any return on my investment would be light years away.

So before you blame the decline and fall of radio on Satellite Music Network, Transtar, Talknet, or Larry King, remember the variety of factors that come into the mix. Overhead, over-saturation of signals (yes, I too cringe when a town of 275 gets an assignment for an AM frequency or FM channel) and the lack of sales and marketing techniques to local merchants have scarred the business. But listen around the dial and you'll still find stations who put out a quality product, operators who care about doing things right. Some make money, others have the break-even point in sight, but at least they are trying. A satellite service can be an effective addition to the mix. Success or failure depends on the attitude of the station.

I'd like to say thanks to David Gleason and Jim Boehm for their recent thought-provoking contributions to the Musings column. Conrad Durocher ... if you ever get up to Dallas to play the "Longhorm", please let me know. I'll be at the NAB convention in April looking at all the latest audio and video toys and that's always exciting. So best wishes to all, good listening across the way!

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The book "Border Radio" is a must for anyone who listened to any of the border broadcasters from Doctor Brinkley to Paul Kallinger and Wolfman Jack. A 280+ page book that includes a record with Dr. Brinkley, Pappy Lee O'Daniel, Slim Rinehart, and commercials for Penham, Crazy Water Crystals, etc. - a big picture section with Dr. Brinkley, Norman Baker, XER-XENT, Rose Dawn the Astrologer and Fortune Teller, plus Elvis with Paul Kallinger and

Wolfman Jack, among others.

A down season for DX, due to biggest work schedule ever. As some know, I am a farmer, and this year got on Suffolk Downs list for horse manure delivery, so have been piling it on the fields as fast as the trailer trucks deliver it (I've done that, and I'm not speaking figuratively, either! -pls).

New loggings total only 12; nothing great, WWII-720 at sunset over CHTN, probably best. Verifications: WNCG (ex-WCEA), WPNS (ex-WCAT), WFAN (ex-WHN), WSSH (ex-WMRE), WINH (ex-WMRS).

WSKW is now A/N on 1160, ex-1150 to further mess up that clear channel. WJJD is now a **rare** one now. 820 also a madhouse with WIQT doing well against CHAM and occasionally some WZYO. WNYC will take care of that.

Still using HQ-150 and HQ-180A and put in a new set of tubes on each to replace originals on HQ-150.

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Hi! A couple of things prompt a "Musing" from this corner of the land. Real sorry to see call change of WWNH-930; that places New Hampshire as the only state without an active verified call in my logs; WWNH was verified in 1954.

Noted with interest the question about dial markings at 640 and 1240 kHz on some older radio such as the HQ-180A; would ayone be interested in doing a "Conelrad verifications" survey listing such held by NRC ers? Would bring back some neat memories! Have often wondered what power was used by the various tations when testing for the system; KMED, Medford, OR is the only such verie that indicated power, i.e., 1,000 watts in their case, in my files. KXLW, Clayton, MO is the only other such verie that I have, although a few other stations logged on Conelrad tests. Incidentally, KXLW was never heard on the assigned 1320 kHz frequency! Along the same line, the 1956 logging of CFRA-560 on 740 kHz has never been capplained; they verified with regular QSL card, 560 kHz of course, a frequency where CFRA has never been heard. I know of no connection betwen CFRA/CBL, but ???

Much more current - March '88 Monitoring Times magazine lists a couple of sources of foreign mint stamps on page 32 thereof; as if I hear any foreign! I still have some mint (\$2.50 airmail rate) from last trip to Mexico; suppose it would take ten of those now to cover cost of airmal letter from Mexico, but then I haven't sent a report to anything other than California-address Mexicans for years! Also, a very informative booklet at hand from USWR is Fred J. Osterman's "Shortwave Receivers Past and Present" listing many, many receivers with details, specs, new price, average current retail value, etc. No surplus listings, such as R-390's, unfortunately. Cost is \$7.20 including shipping from Universal Chortwave Radio - 1280 Aida Drive - Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. Best of "DX" to all. (Well, I'll be darned. I have been starring at my HQ-180 for over ten years and just now noticed that the Conelrad markings are there at 640 and 1240. I have several other table-top sets with them, but didn't realize the boat anchor had them, too! -pls)

Let's give a great big NRC welcome to a first-timer ...!

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Hello! Let me introduce myself. My name is Bill Burrows and I am 16 years Old. I have been a member of the NRC since March, 1987. I have been DX'ing the AM, FM, and W bands since December, 1985. During the winter, I DX AM; during the summer, I DX FM and L. I now have about 400 AM stations. My list of equipment includes a Sony Air-8 Scanner, a Realistic TM-152 AM stereo tuner, and now a Sony ICF-2010. I received the 2010 for Christmas. This radio has lot of power and sensitivity, but because of my location (near Thiladelphia), there is a slight imaging problem. The only time I have ever used an external antenna (longwire) was during the day. At night, it has helped little.

Now to same of my DX. After trying for same time, I received KSL after the WVW test. The station ID was buried, but I had received it. There have been some auroral conditions be several interesting catches have come about. On 1540, ZNS in the Bahamas was coming in. Also heard were WFYV-1460 Jacksonville, FL; WHHY-1440 Montgomery, AL, KZIM-960, Cape Girardeau, MO, and WEAS-900 Savannah, GA. On February 25, local WFIL was off the air. A religious station and WQAM, Miami could be heard. As it turned out, the religious station was JBC radio from Jamaica. I also heard JBC on 700 kHz. These were unusual catches for me. This winter has been a productive one for me. I hope it has for you too. Until next time ... 73's. (Sounds as if you're off to a respectable start. Muse often! -pls)

"U-2" Isn't Just a Rock Group!

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With all due apologies to Jerry Starr (Issue 22, p. 5, paragraph 3), 'twas me who came up with the "D-1" and "D-3" codings for daytime stations, D-1 being those which are mon-directional, and D-3, directional. The unlimited time codes were U-1 for mon-directional at all times, and U-2 for directional at night only - so there was no way a "I-2" code could sensibly be used. U-3 signified a fulltime station directional at all times with the same pattern, and U-4 full-timers with different patterns for day and night time. These were coined because I felt it not apropos to "pirate" the FCC's abbreviations when we listed permits for new stations, which back in those days came fast and furious, light after WW-II. The corresponding FCC abbreviations (which you'll observe in NewMonsting Yearbook, for example) are, for fulltimers, just plain "U" for non-directional

fulltimers, DA-N for fulltimers directional only at night; DA-l for directional at all times, same pattern, and DA-2 for different patterns day and night. Daytimers are plain D for non-directionals, and DA-D for daytime directionals. Codings beyond U-4 and D-3 were developed later, since at the time of the above, such diversifications had not yet been instigated. For newer members, I was Musings Editor then, and handled the lists of new FCC grants and changes as well. (I'd go to the river if I had both those responsibilities, hi!

What's new? Two things. Heard this A. M. 3-8-88 was WBIV-1060 on "The RTV Sports Network", a call-in show, a direct carbon copy of WFAN's programming, right next to them on the dial. I checked to see if WFAN had perhaps joined or even started this network, but they were not parallel. So I checked the entire dial and found no one else carrying the RTV Sports Network, so I gather it is a rather miniscule network - like maybe a one-station? The second new item is a caw station on 1110, u/WBT, with several clear ID's caught as CKTL, but no location noted. Anybody know where this newie is? They were noted both 3-7 and 3-8 around 2:00-3:00 am. Incidentally, at the same time, I observed WBT has dropped the Larry King Thing and has gone MoR/BED during the wee hours. I note too that the 2:00-3:00 am hour on Larry King features "The Best of King" every day. Mayhap this show is on the way out? March 26 begins the seventh year of my "Forward-March" 11 am Saturday morning show on WOWR-91.9. Long may we march!

CKAD SARNIA BITES THE DUST.

Country 1110 CKTY is on the air. At 4 pm today (February 26) executives of Blue Water Broadcasting were to introduce a programming change at CKJD Radio bringing in a country music format.

Station General Manager Pat St. John said Blue Water Broadcasting which purchased the radio station last fall, decided on the programming change after doing an in-depth study of the listening market in Lambton County.

"We found that the majority of listeners, 33%, wanted a country music station. What the people want is what we're looking to give them," he said.

Along with the change in format was a change of the station's call letters to CKTY representing the country sound.

Programming director Mark Cartland said the programming will be a mix of contemporary country music from the last four decades. The station will also be introducing a stronger concentration of news coverage designed specifically for its local audience. The change in format will not affect the operation of CJFI-FH radio.

CKJD went on the air in Sarnia in 1968 and the change is the first time the station has geared its programming away from the teen market. Hr. St. John said CKTY is gearing its programming to the 25 to 54 age group which makes up the majority of listeners in Lambton County. (Sarnia Observer - Friday 26 Pebruary 1988)

The studios and offices of CKTY 1110 and CJFI-FM 100 will soon be moving to a new location on London Road, in what is now Clearwater, which on 1 January became Ontario's newest town, situated just east of Sarnia, and previously known as Sarnia Township (Colin Miller)

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Catch "AM Interlude" on HCJB Saturday nights.								
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	740	MNOP1	William Faulkner	LB			Vernon Randles E	WH
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	860		Dan Willis			MXXII	Mark Boardman	ERC
	870	WWL1mz		RT PT		WNRIX	Bob Allen PD	LB RV
	900	WCBSq	U/U				John Dimick OpM Ernie Riedelbach O/M	OW
	910	WDORIM	Jon Harmelin GM Edward Allen Jr. P Manuel F.Siverio, Jr GM				Weldon Rogers GM	OW
	930	KAPRI	Manuel F.Siverio, Jr GM		1430	WLKEP		LB
	930	WFHD1	Jeri Lee Holm	LB		UGEM1	James P.W.Martens CE	PT
	930	WKOSr	U/U	ERC/BH		KBBSm	R.P.Burger CE	OM
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	105	UFANQ	Daniel Miller CE	RV		KSSA1	Jeffry E.Martin CommM	LB PT
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